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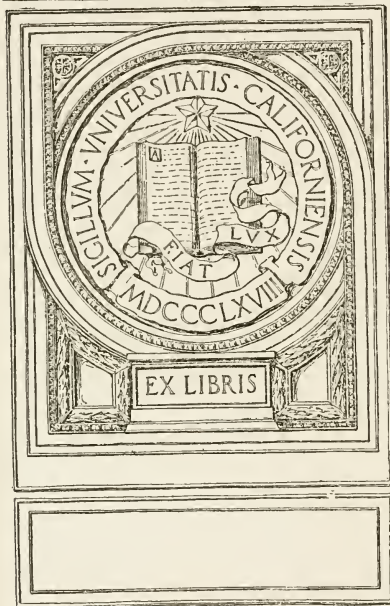
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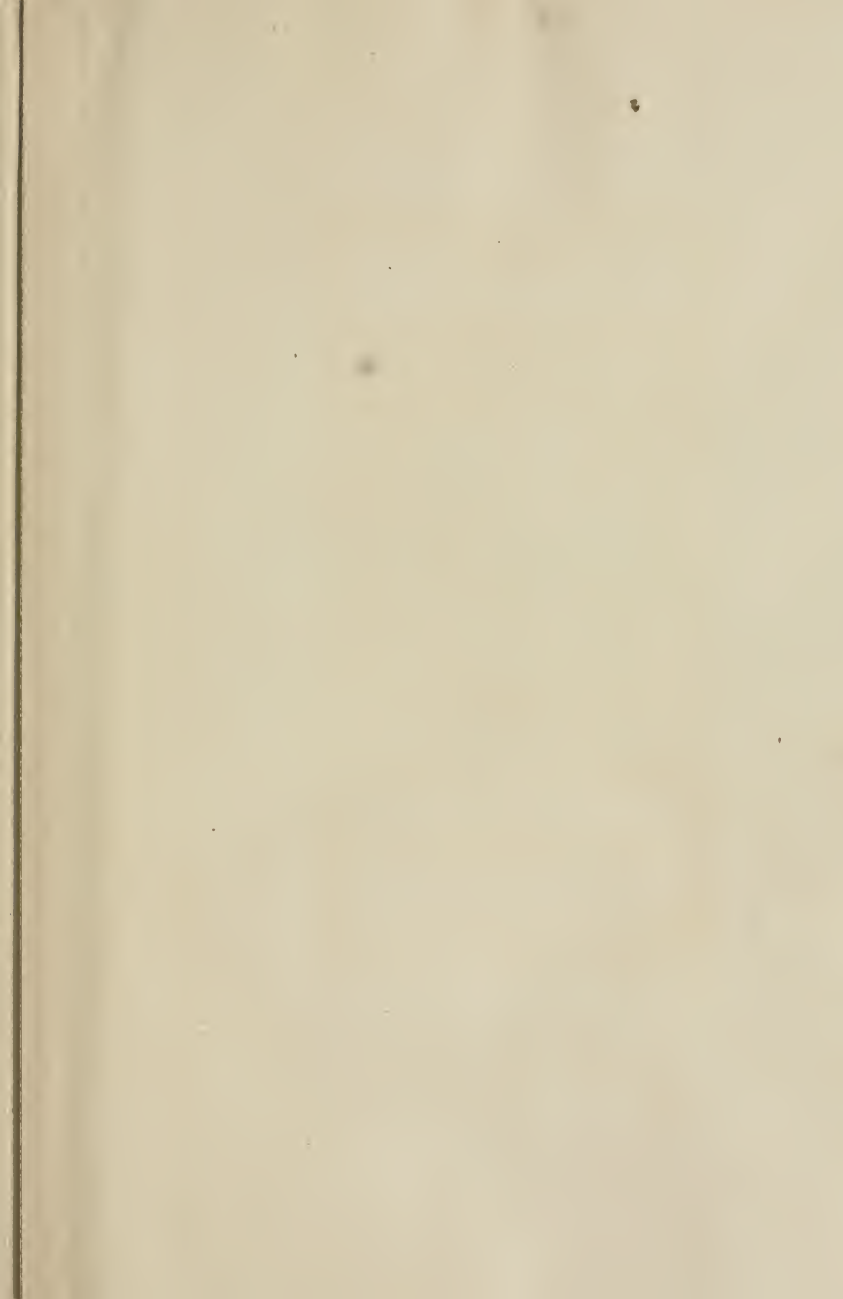
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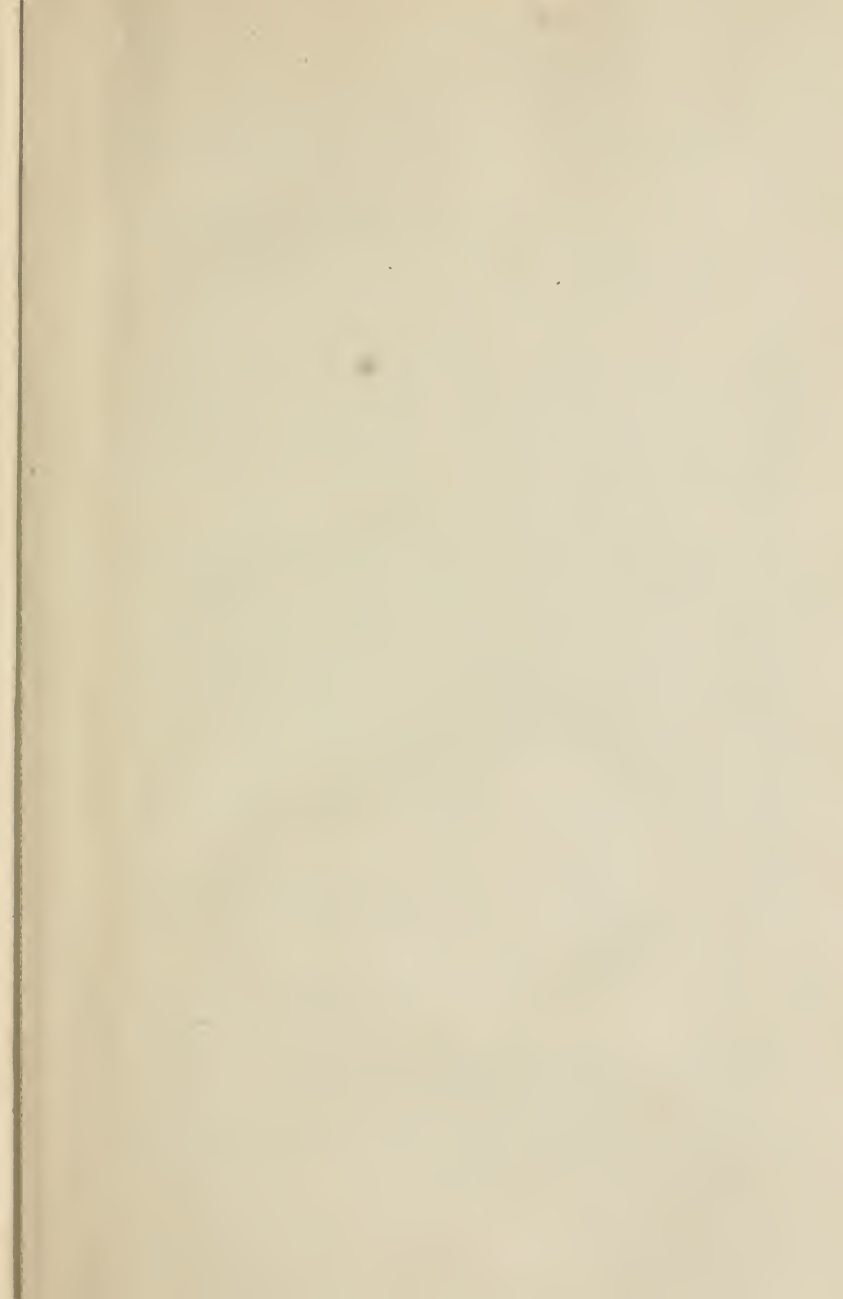
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(Private)

Mount Vernon 8th July 1796

Dear Sir

In confidence I inform you, that it has become indispensably necessary to recall our Minister at Paris; and to send one in his place who will explain, faithfully, the views of this government, and ascertain those of France. —

Nothing would be more pleasing to me, than that you should be this person; if it were only for a temporary absence of a few months. — But it being feared that even this could not be made to comport with your present pursuits, I have, in order that as little delay as possible may be incurred, put the enclosed letter under cover to be forwarded to its address, if you decline the present offer; — or to be returned to me, if you accept it. —

Your own correct knowledge of circumstances render details unnecessary, I shall only add therefore that

I am - Dear Sir

Your Obed^t G. Washington

GEORGE WASHINGTON—PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

Autograph Letter, Signed. 1796

[No. 903]

Clearing that you propose to attend the next meeting of the Congress Court at Philadelphia I should be glad to see you at this place in your way

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The Collection of Autograph Letters of the late Josiah H. Benton, is, on account of the Notable Personages represented, and the historical, political and literary information contained therein, one of the most important and interesting collections of autograph material offered in recent years at public sale in America.

Not only did Mr. Benton obtain letters of the more notable personages in the field of American politics, history, literature and drama, as well as some important additions of British and French authors and statesmen; but, he also succeeded remarkably in his aim of collecting such examples as should contain interesting information relative to the writers' connection with important events of the period.

With a few exceptions, every letter is accompanied by a portrait (in most cases engraved) of the writer, as well as by a typewritten transcript of the letter; while in a great number of instances a typewritten biographical note taken from Appleton's *Biographical Cyclopaedia* accompanies the same. In all cases, the letter with its accompanying transcript and portrait are neatly hinged to a specially prepared paper fold, thus allowing of the easy turning of the page. In many instances, the portrait, and in a few cases the original letter, are neatly inlaid.

Among the special features of the collection are Signed Autograph Letters by All the Presidents and Vice-Presidents of the United States from Washington to the present day; All the Chief Justices, and most of the Associated Justices of the United States Supreme Court; many of whom are represented by more than one letter.

CLASSIFIED RÉSUMÉ OF SOME OF THE MORE NOTABLE PERSONAGES

PRESIDENTS OF THE UNITED STATES

WASHINGTON, George (1789-1797)

ADAMS, John (1797-1801)	BUCHANAN, James (1857-1861)
JEFFERSON, Thomas (1801-1809)	LINCOLN, Abraham (1861-1865)
MADISON, James (1809-1817)	JOHNSON, Andrew (1865-1869)
MONROE, James (1817-1825)	GRANT, Ulysses S. (1869-1877)
ADAMS, John Quincy (1825-1829)	HAYES, Rutherford B. (1877-1881)
JACKSON, Andrew (1829-1837)	GARFIELD, James A. (1881)
VAN BUREN, Martin (1837-1841)	ARTHUR, Chester A. (1881-1885)
HARRISON, William H. (1841)	CLEVELAND, Grover (1885-1889; 1893-1897)
TYLER, John (1841-1845)	HARRISON, Benjamin (1889-1893)
POLK, James K. (1845-1849)	McKINLEY, William (1897-1901)
TAYLOR, Zachary (1849-1850)	ROOSEVELT, Theodore (1901-1909)
FILLMORE, Millard (1850-1853)	TAFT, William Howard (1909-1913)
PIERCE, Franklin (1853-1857)	

WILSON, Woodrow (1913-1920)

VICE-PRESIDENTS OF THE UNITED STATES

ADAMS, John (1789-1797)	HAMLIN, Hannibal (1861-1865)
JEFFERSON, Thomas (1797-1801)	JOHNSON, Andrew (1865)
BURR, Aaron (1801-1805)	COLFAX, Schuyler (1869-73)
CLINTON, George (1805-1812)	WILSON, Henry (1873-1875)
GERRY, Elbridge (1813-1814)	WHEELER, William A. (1877-1881)
TOMPKINS, Daniel D. (1817-1825)	ARTHUR, Chester A. (1881)
CALHOUN, John C. (1825-1833)	HENDRICKS, Thomas A. (1885-1889)
VAN BUREN, Martin (1833-1837)	MORTON, Levi P. (1889-1893)
JOHNSON, Richard M. (1837-1841)	STEVENSON, Adlai E. (1893-1897)
TYLER, John (1841)	HOBART, Garret A. (1897)
DALLAS, George M. (1845-1849)	ROOSEVELT, Theodore (1901)
FILLMORE, Millard (1849-1850)	FAIRBANKS, Charles W. (1905-1909)
KING, William R. (1850-1853)	SHERMAN, James S. (1909-1912)
BRECKINRIDGE, John C. (1857-1861)	MARSHALL, Thomas R. (1913-1920)

SIGNERS OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

ADAMS, John	GERRY, Elbridge
ADAMS, Samuel	HANCOCK, John
CARROLL, Charles	JEFFERSON, Thomas
CHASE, Samuel	MORRIS, Robert
FRANKLIN, Benjamin	WILSON, James

WOLCOTT, Oliver

CHIEF JUSTICES OF THE UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT

CHASE, Salmon P. (1864-1873)	MARSHALL, John (1801-1835)
ELLSWORTH, Oliver (1796-1799)	RUTLEDGE, John (1795)
FULLER, Melville W. (1888-1910)	TANEY, Roger Brooke (1836-1864)
JAY, John (1789-1795)	WAITE, Morrison R. (1874-1888)

ASSOCIATE JUSTICES OF THE UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT

BALDWIN, Henry (1830-1844)	JOHNSON, Thomas (1791-1793)
BARBOUR, Philip P. (1836-1841)	JOHNSON, William (1801-1834)
BLATCHFORD, Samuel (1882-1893)	LAMAR, Lucius Q. C. (1888-1893)
BRADLEY, Joseph P. (1870-1892)	LIVINGSTON, Brockholst (1807-1823)
BREWER, David J. (1889-1910)	McLEAN, John (1829-1861)
CAMPBELL, John A. (1853-1861)	MATTHEWS, Stanley (1881-1889)
CATRON, John (1837-1865)	MILLER, Samuel F. (1862-1890)
CHASE, Samuel (1796-1811)	MOORE, Alfred (1799-1804)
CLIFFORD, Nathan (1858-1881)	NELSON, Samuel (1845-1872)
CURTIS, Benjamin R. (1851-1857)	PATERSON, William (1793-1806)
CUSHING, William (1789-1810)	PECKHAM, Rufus W. (1895-1909)
DANIEL, Peter V. (1841-1860)	RUTLEDGE, John (1789-1791)
DAVIS, David (1862-1877)	SHIRAS, George, Jr. (1892-1902)
DAY, William R. (1903-date)	STORY, Joseph (1811-1845)
DUVAL, Gabriel (1811-1836)	STRONG, William (1870-1880)
FIELD, Stephen J. (1863-1897)	SWAYNE, Noah H. (1862-1881)
GRAY, Horace (1881-1902)	THOMPSON, Smith (1823-1843)
GRIER, Robert C. (1846-1870)	TODD, Thomas (1807-1826)
HARLAN, John M. (1877-1911)	WASHINGTON, Bushrod (1798-1829)
HOLMES, Oliver W., Jr. (1902-date)	WAYNE, James M. (1835-1867)
HUNT, Ward (1872-1882)	WILSON, James (1789-1798)
IREDELL, James (1790-1799)	WOODBURY, Levi (1845-1851)

AMERICAN MILITARY MEN OF NOTE

AUGUR, Christopher C.—Maj.-Gen.	JACKSON, Thomas J.—General.
BARLOW, Francis C.—Brig.-Gen.	JOHNSTON, Joseph E.—General
BARNARD, John G.—Maj.-Gen.	LEE, Robert E.—General
BEAUREGARD, P. G. T.—General	McCLELLAN, George B.—Maj.-Gen.
BENTON, William P.—Brig.-Gen.	MEADE, George G.—Maj.-Gen.
BLAIR, Francis P. Jr.—Maj.-Gen.	PORTER, David Dudley—Admiral
BURNSIDE, Ambrose E.—Maj.-Gen.	PORTER, Fitz-John—Maj.-Gen.
BUTLER, Benjamin F.—Maj.-Gen.	ROSECRANS, William—Maj.-Gen.
BUTTERFIELD, Daniel—Brig.-Gen.	SCHOFIELD, John M.—Maj.-Gen.
CHAMBERLAIN, Joshua L.—Brig.-Gen.	SCOTT, Winfield—Maj.-Gen.
CUSHING, Caleb—Brig.-Gen.	SHERIDAN, Philip P.—Maj.-Gen.
GORDON, George H.—Brig.-Maj.-Gen.	SHERMAN, Thomas—Brig.-Gen.
GRANT, Ulysses S.—General	SHERMAN, William T.—Lt.-Gen.
GREENE, Nathaniel—Maj.-Gen.	SICKLES, Daniel E.—Maj.-Gen.
HANCOCK, Winfield S.—Maj.-Gen.	SULLIVAN, Peter J.—Brig.-Gen.
	THOMAS, George H.—Maj.-Gen.
	WARD, Artemas—Brig.-Gen.

AMERICAN AUTHORS AND HISTORIANS

ALDRIDGE, Thomas B.
 BANCROFT, George
 BELKNAP, Jeremy
 BROWN, John
 BRYANT, William Cullen
 BURROUGHS, John
 CLEMENS, Samuel L.
 COOPER, James Fenimore
 CURTIS, George W.
 DODGE, Mary Abigail
 EMERSON, Ralph Waldo
 FROTHINGHAM, Richard
 HARTE, Bret
 HOLMES, Oliver Wendell
 HOWE, Julia Ward
 HOWELLS, William Dean
 IRVING, Washington
 LONGFELLOW, Henry W.
 LOSSING, Benson J.
 LOWELL, James R.

MOTLEY, John L.
 MURFREE, Mary N.
 PALFREY, John G.
 PARKMAN, Francis
 PARTON, James
 PEMBERTON, Thomas
 PRESCOTT, William H.
 READ, Thomas
 RIPLEY, George
 SARGENT, Lucius M.
 SAXE, John G.
 SHILLABER, Benjamin P.
 SIMMS, W. G.
 SPARKS, Jared
 STOWE, Harriet Beecher
 WARNER, Charles D.
 WHIPPLE, E. P.
 WHITMAN, Walt
 WHITTIER, John G.
 WILLIS, M. P.

A FEW OF THE MORE NOTED AMERICAN STATESMEN

AMES, Fisher—Statesman
 ANDREW, John A.—Gov. of Mass.
 BATES, John L.—Gov. of Mass.
 BEECHER, Henry Ward—Preacher
 BELKNAP, Jeremy—Historian
 BERNARD, Francis—Gov. of Mass.
 BLAINE, James G.—Secty. of State
 BLAIR, Montgomery—Postmaster-Gen.
 BOUTWELL, George S.—Gov. of Mass.
 BUCKINGHAM, W. A.—Gov. of Conn.
 CASS, Lewis—Gov. of Ohio
 CHOATE, Rufus—Lawyer
 CLAY, Henry—Secty. of State
 CLINTON, De Witt—Gov. of N. Y.
 CORWIN, Thomas—Gov. of Ohio
 CRAWFORD, W. H.—Secty. of Treas.
 CROCKETT, Daniel—Pioneer
 DAVIS, Jefferson—Confederate Pres.
 DOUGLAS, Stephen—Statesman
 DUDLEY, Joseph—Colonial Gov. of Mass.
 EVERETT, Edward—Orator
 ESSENDEN, W. P.—Secty. Treas.

FIELD, Stephen J.—Cal. Senator
 GALLATIN, Albert—Financier
 GREELEY, Horace—Journalist
 GRISWOLD, Matthew—Gov. of Conn.
 GRISWOLD, Roger—Gov. of Conn.
 HAMILTON, Alexander—Secty. Treas.
 HAY, John—Secty. of State
 HENRY, Patrick—Revolutionary Orator
 HOAR—George F.—Statesman
 HOPKINS, John H.—Vt. Bishop
 HUTCHINSON, Thomas—Gov. of Conn.
 JOHNSON, William S.—Conn. Judge
 KENT, James—Chancellor of N. Y.
 LAURENS, Henry—Pres. Cont. Congress
 LINCOLN, Levi—Attorney-Gen.
 LIVINGSTON, Robert R.—Statesman
 LONG, John D.—Gov. of Mass.
 LYON, Matthew—Ky. Politician
 MORGAN, John P.—Financier
 MORSE, Samuel F. B.

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AMERICAN STATESMEN—CONTINUED

OLNEY, Richard—Secty. of State	SEWARD, Frederick—Secty. of State
OTIS, Harrison Gray—Orator	SEYMOUR, Horatio—Gov. of N. Y.
OTIS, James—Patriot	SHIRLEY, William—Gov. of Mass.
PARKER, Isaac—Mass. Judge	STANTON, Edwin M.—Secty. of War
PINCKNEY, Thomas—Gov. of S. C.	STEPHENS, Alex. H.—Southern Statesman
POWNALL, Thomas—Gov. of Mass.	STOUGHTON, William—Gov. of Mass.
PRINCE, Thomas—Colonial Preacher	SULLIVAN, James—Gov. of Mass.
QUINCY, Josiah—Statesman	SUMNER, Charles—Mass. Senator
RAWSON, Edward—Colonial Statesman	TRUMBULL, J.—Gov. of Conn.
RUTLEDGE, John—Gov. of S. C.	WEBSTER, Daniel—Lawyer
WIRT, William—Lawyer	

SOME OF THE MORE NOTED ENGLISH AUTHORS AND STATESMEN

ADDISON, Joseph	GIBBON, Edward
AMHERST, William Pitt	GLADSTONE, William E.
ARNOLD, Sir Edwin	HALLAM, Henry
BARHAM, Richard H.	HARDY, Thomas
BASKERVILLE, John—Printer	HASTINGS, Warren
BESSAM, Walter	HAZLITT, William
BLACK, William	HONE, William
BLESSINGTON, Marguerite	HOOD, Thomas
BROUGHAM, Henry, Baron	HUME, David
BROWNING, Robert	INGELOW, Jean
BURKE, Edmund	JAMES, G. P. R.
BYRON, George Gordon, Lord	KINGLAKE, Alexander W.
CADELL, Robert—Publisher	KINGSLEY, Charles
CARLYLE, Thomas	KIPLING, Rudyard
COLERIDGE, Samuel T.	LANDSEER, Edward
COLLINS, Wilkie	LEVER, Charles
CORNWALLIS, Charles, Lord	LINGARD, John
COWPER, William	LOCKHART, John G.
CRUIKSHANK, George	LYTTON, Edward R. Bulwer
CUNNINGHAM, Allan	MACAULAY, Thomas B.
DE QUINCY, Thomas	McARTHUR, Justin
DORAN, John	MANSFIELD, Sir James
EDGEWORTH, Maria	MARTINEAU, Harriet
EDWARD, Albert—King	MELBOURNE, William L.
ELLSWORTH, Oliver	MEREDITH, George
FARADAY, Michel	MILL, John Stuart
FREDERICK, Duke of York	MILMAN, Henry H.
FREEMAN, Edward A.	MOORE, Thomas
FROUDE, James A.	MOORE, Hannah
GEORGE III	MULLOCK, Dinah M.

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NELSON, Horatio
NEWMAN, Cardinal
PALGRAVE, Francis P.
PEEL, Sir Robert
PORTER, Jane
POPE, Alexander
RAWLINSON, Sir Henry
RICHARDSON, Samuel
ROBERTSON, William
RUSKIN, John
SALA, George

SCOTT, Sir Walter
SMITH, Sir William Sidney
SOUTHEY, Robert
STANLEY, Arthur
TENNYSON, Alfred, Lord
TROLLOPE, Anthony
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WILLIAM IV.
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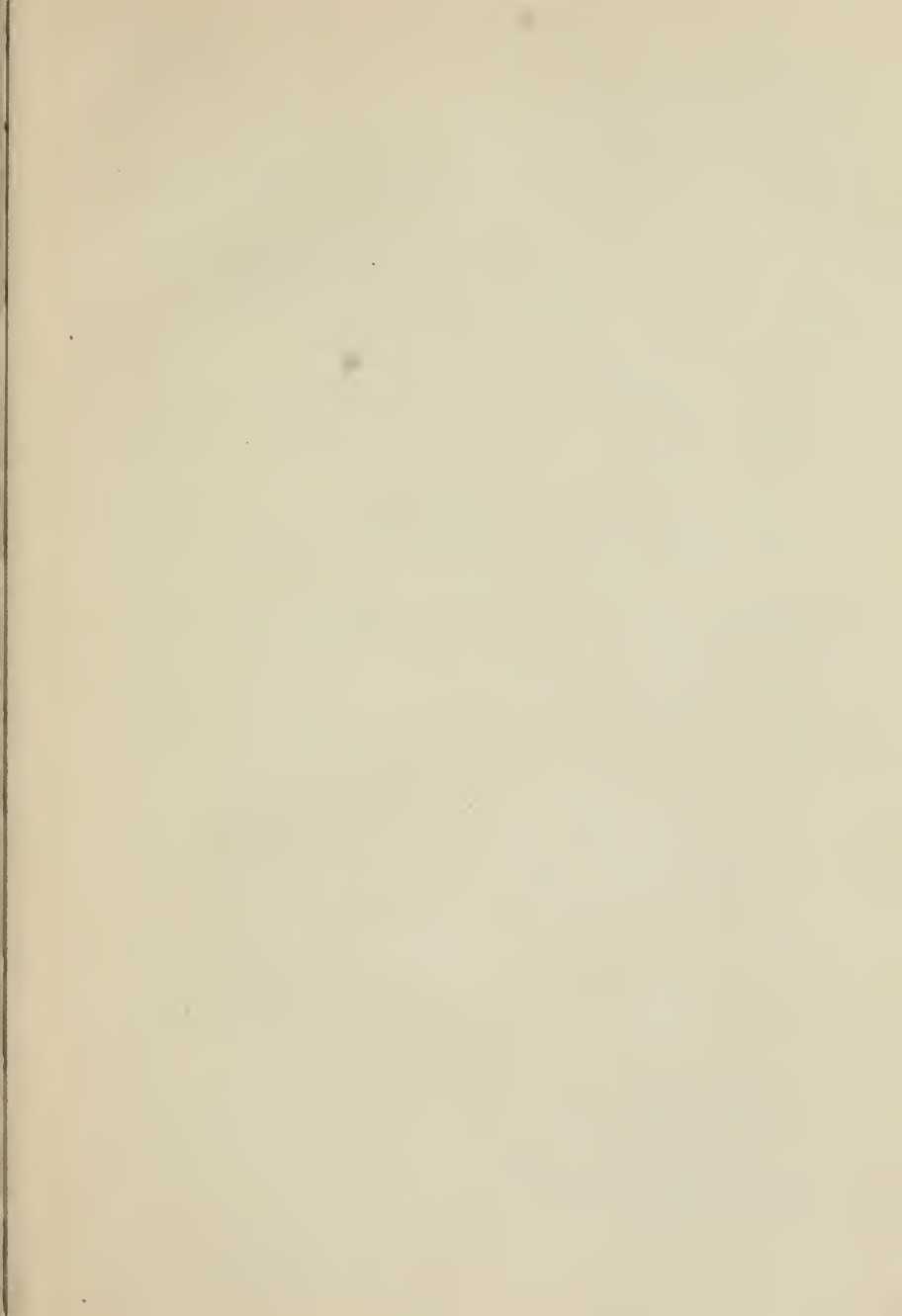
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GUIZOT, François P. G.
HUGO, Victor
JUSSERAND, Jean A.
LAFAYETTE, Gilbert M.

MAZARIN, Cardinal
NAPOLEON I.
SUE, Eugène
TOCQUEVILLE, Alexis de
VOLTAIRE, Marie Aronnet de

ACTORS AND ACTRESSES OF NOTE

ANDERSON, Mary
BARRETT, Lawrence
BELLEW, Harold K.
BERNHARDT, Sarah
BOOTH, Edwin
BOOTH, Junius Brutus
BOUCICAULT, Dion
BROUILLAM, Emma
BURTON, William E.
CUSHMAN, Charlotte
DAVENPORT, Edward L.
FECHTER, Charles
FORREST, Edwin
IRVING, Henry
JANAUSCHECK, Francesca

JEFFERSON, Joseph
KEAN, Charles
KEMBLE, Charles
LANGTRY, Lillian
McCULLOUGH, John E.
MACREADY, William C.
MATTHEWS, Charles J.
PATTI, Adelina
RACHEL, Elisa
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1. ABBOT (D.). A.L.S., 1p. folio, "Dunstable—Augt. 21. 1819. Saty eveg?"
To "Nathl Swift, Esq., Andover."
*"I have the pleasure to inform you, that Mrs. A— has a fine little
Daughter, born Thursday last—& both she & little cherub are very
finely. . . ."*
 2. ABBOTT (J. G.—American lawyer). A.L.S., 1p. 12mo, Boston, April
27, no year. With transcript and portrait. To "My Dear Benton"
stating that he will be in the Supreme Court on the following Mon-
day.
 3. ABINGER (BARON—English lawyer). A.L.S., 3pp. 12mo. To "H. Gar-
den." Feby. 22, 1821. With transcript.
*" . . . I beg to inform you that it is altogether unusual to require of
counsel to attend personal conferences out of their own chambers except
in the case of the Royal family. . . ."*
 4. ABINGER (BARON—English lawyer). A.L.S., 2pp. 12mo, "London, Dec.
13, 1842." With transcript.
*"Accept my best thanks for your attention in sending me the American
apples. I am sorry to say that the loss of good faith in the American
States is accompanied by a loss of flavour in these apples, which deserve
no more credit at present than those Indiana bonds or the United Bank
shares. . . ."*
 5. ACWORTH (WILLIAM M.—British barrister). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Ivor
Lodge, Leamington Spa, 14/IX/05." To "Mr. Benton."
My dear Benton
*"I have done my electioneering for the present. Did I not tell you I
am going to fight a Yorkshire constituency as a Tariff Reformer? I have
been there for a fortnight speechifying. . . ."*
 6. ADAMS (CHARLES—American lawyer). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Adams Build-
ing, 23 Court St., Boston, 15, III, 1904." To "Col. Benton." On
literary matters.

First Session, Friday Afternoon, March 12th

7. ADAMS (JOHN—2nd President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Quincy August 28, 1798." To "James McHenry Esq, Secretary of War." With transcript, biographical note and portrait.

Written while President, and refers to a letter by John Henry, Governor of Maryland, relative to the national defence.

8. ADAMS (JOHN—2nd President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Quincy April 20, 1813." To "The Honourable James Monroe Esquire, Secretary of the Department of State, Washington." Addressed and franked by Adams. With transcript of letter, portrait, and biography of Adams.

Refers to his son's—John Quincy Adams—appointment, who became minister of the United States to Russia, in 1809, and was one of the Commissioners who met at Ghent to consider terms of peace.

"No intelligence could be more agreeable to me, than the information that the conduct of my Son has the entire approbation of The President. As a public Man I have no views for him, but to such Services as the President shall assign him. . . if I should make any objection to his engaging in those momentous Services to his Country which you present to my view, however hazardous they may be to his reputation.

"You and I know that a certain Mission is to an American the most 'Scabrous' in the whole Diplomatic Circle. . . ."

9. ADAMS (JOHN—2nd President of the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Quincy, Nov. 19 1815." To "Hon. David Sewall, York." With transcript, biographical sketch, clippings, and portrait.

AN EXCEPTIONALLY FINE LETTER giving the lineage of the descendants of John Hull who coined the "Pine-tree" shillings for the Colony of Massachusetts. There is also a reference to the naming of his grandson "Isaac Hull."

" . . . Your political Sentiments as far as you disclose them, are so nearly my own that I shall have no controversy with you upon those Topics.

"Your account of connections between the Quineys the Sewalls and Hulls is very entertaining to me, . . . Mr. Hull who made and executed the Contract with the Government for coining the New England Shillings called Pine Trees in 1652, had two Daughters, One named Joanna, who married Edmund Quincy of Braintree. From this marriage issued a Son who was named Daniel Quincy who married a Daughter of Thomas Shepard of Charleston So much celebrated by Doctor Mather in his Magnalia, and by her had a son John Quincy who was born lived and died in Braintree. He died in July 1767. His only Son Norton Quincy died 1803 without Issue; So that the Name of Quincy in the Hull Branch of it is extinct. Joanna died leaving only one Son. Edmund married a Second Wife a Daughter of Major General Gookin, and from this Marriage are descended all who bear the name of Quincy to this day. . . .

"After all I am not certain whether these Ladies, the two Hulls were Daughters or Sisters of the Mint Master or of a Clergman an early Minister of the old South Church Boston. But I know they left excellent Posterities among whom there have been and are Men and Women of excellent qualities, Diamonds of the first Water. . . ."

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Quincy. Nov. 19 1815

Dear Sir,

I am much obliged to you for your favour of the 10th of your political sentiments as far as you disclose them, are so nearly my own that I shall have no controversy with you upon those topics.

Your account of connections between the Quinys the Servells and Starks is very entertaining to me, and agrees very well with all I have heard of known of the subject.

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There is in the congregational Church in this Town the oldest Section of the ancient Town of Braintree a Grave Stone of very fine and very solid slate from which as it is in perfect preservation I have copied the following Inscription engraved in very distinct Characters.

JOHN ADAMS—PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

Autograph Letter. Signed. 1815

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10. ADAMS (JOHN—2nd President of the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Montezillo Jan. 11, 1817." To "Honble. Richard Rush." Address in another hand but franked by Adams. With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

FINE LETTER. With mention of Thomas Jefferson.

"Montezillo in the Spanish Language signifies 'A little Hill.' You will search for it in vain in Italy. None of the Alps, the Appenines, no nor the Pyraneces, nor Asturians ever bore that Name. No City Village or Villa ever arrived to that honour. Search and research. Find it if you can. Neither Montezillo nor Montecello deserve many of your Thoughts—but the Italian Republicks, like the Grecian deserve your serious attention. . . ."

"We are so much disposed to such disputes, quarrels and civil commotions that I wonder our Orthodox Federalists have not accused Jefferson of Idolatry in receiving the Worship of The Host of Hearen, on the 'High Places' of his lofty Mountain. Nothing but ignorance and Want of Witt has prevented them. Montezillo the little hill cannot be charged with the Worship of the Sun; . . . If I should live 30 or 40 years longer, become as opulent as Pliny the younger and can acquire a Style, melle dulcor like his, I will write you a description of my Villa, and Montezillo. . . ."

"Editors and scribblers intermeddle very impertinently in arranging a cabinet for the President. Mr. Monroe I hope will follow his own Judgement, without regard to their little tattle."

11. ADAMS (JOHN QUINCY—6th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "The Right Honourable Lord Viscount Castlereagh, His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State, for the Department of Foreign Affairs. "20 Craven Street, 25 March 1817." With transcript, and portrait.

"The Undersigned, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary from the United States of America, has the honour of requesting a permission from the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury for the Brig Margaret and Francis now lying in the London Dock, to be cleared out, for Boston in the United States, with Passengers, being destitute American Seamen. . . ."

12. ADAMS (JOHN QUINCY—6th President of the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "to Messrs. John S. Walford, John Coalter and all the members of the Committee of Arrangements, appointed by the Meeting of the Citizens of Fredericksburg, Falmouth and their vicinities on the late Elections in Virginia. Washington 28 May 1834." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait..

FINE LETTER ON THE EXECUTIVE POWER OF THE PRESIDENT. Regrets not being able to attend their festival.

" . . . The cool, deliberate and determined attitude assumed on this occasion by the People of Virginia to which I cannot doubt that the voice of their fellow Citizens in all parts of the Union will harmoniously respond will rectify some misapprehensions entertained with regard to the nature and extent of Executive Power as delegated in the Constitution of the United States and the attempt to carry out which in practice has led to much disorder in the Administration of our Public Affairs, and to still more serious alarm for our future prospects. Great errors in this

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"Messrs" John S. Wolford, John Coalter, and all the members of the
Committee of Arrangements, appointed by the Meeting of the Citizens of
Fredericksburg, Falmouth, and their friends on the 10th inst^l for the
celebration by a festival, of the result of the late Elections in Virginia

Washington 28 May 1834

Fellow Citizens

I am honoured with your Circular of the 21st inst^l
requesting my attendance at your proposed festival. Engagements with which,
I am not at liberty to dispense, detaining me in this City at the time, for
which the celebration is fixed, deprive me of the pleasure of accepting your
kind invitation. But upon the result of the Elections to your State Legislature
I offer you sincere and cordial congratulation—

The cool, deliberate and determined attitude assumed on this occasion,
by the People of Virginia, to which I cannot doubt that the voice of their fellow
Citizens in all parts of the Union will harmoniously respond, ~~will respond~~,
will rectify some misapprehensions, entertained with regard to the nature
and extent of Executive Power as delegated in the Constitution of the United
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in the Administration of our Public Affairs, and to still more serious alarm for
our future prospects. Great errors in this respect have been exemplified in
action and asserted in theory. The most important and most prolific of them
all has been the mistaking of a right to the custody, for a right to the use
of the public revenues. — The latter, I take it for granted, will ere long be
recognized, not as an Executive power in its nature, original or derivative,
but as a portion of the property of the People, subject to the disposal of
Congress as prescribed by the Constitution.

JOHN QUINCY ADAMS—PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

Autograph Letter, Signed. 1834

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13. ADAMS (JOHN QUINCY—6th President of the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to. "Washington 14. Jan'y, 1840." To "James Morse junr., Esqr.—New York." With transcript, portrait, and sketch of Adams.

"I have received your letter of the 10th inst and tender you my thanks for the information contained in it of the manner in which you became possessed of the manuscript poem, published in the Brother Jonathan as an antediluvian composition of mine. . . . My only concern however at its publication was that the initial Letters of the Notes pointing to the names of individuals as designated by the fancy-drawn characters in the poem, might be supposed to have been indicated or warranted by me. It is not probable that after the lapse of half a century and when only two of the persons whose initials were given still survived, any person could feel hurt at the publication, but the bare possibility that it might be so made me anxious that I should not even be suspected of having authorized the application of the characters delineated to real persons, or the still more exceptionable public designation of initial Letters to the names of real persons."

14. ADAMS (SAMUEL—American jurist, Chief Justice of the Rhode Island Supreme Court). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Providence, April 24/61." To "Capt. Andrew H. Foote, Navy-Yard, Brooklyn, N. Y." With transcript.

"I desire to express my sense of obligation to you for the kind manner in which you received my son William, and for the hope of service under you, which, upon the recommendation of Governor Hoppin, you allowed him to entertain. . . ."

15. ADAMS (SAMUEL—Signer of the Declaration of Independence). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Boston, July 4, 1774." To "Elbridge Gerry." With portrait, biographical account, and portrait.

"The Bearer hercof Mr. Jeremiah Platt a Citizen of New York and Mr. John Bayard of Philadelphia have been recommended to me by our Friends in those Cities as Gentlemen of worthy Character and warmly attached to the Cause of American Freedom. Mr. Bayard is one of the Committee of Correspondence in Philadelphia. As they are going to Marblehead, I could not shew them greater Kindness, than by recommending them to you and the agreeable Circle of your Acquaintance."

16. ADDISON (JOSEPH—eminent English essayist and statesman). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Whitehall 9ber. 6th. 1705." To "George Stepney, English Envoy at Vienna." With transcript, and proof portrait on India paper.

A POLITICAL LETTER OF GREAT IMPORTANCE, written during the time that he was Commissioner of Appeals.

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the raising, a
on a Surge that they themselves never intended to provide

About a month ago I rec'd a Letter from you by three Republicks
and was ready to do 'em all the Service I cou'd: but on hearing
the L. of Spain was before Barcelona they desisted
from their intended Voyage to Portugal, and Resolv'd
to return again to Vienna, and from thence by way
of Italy to Barcelona. This lying in Mr Secretary
Harley's province I recommended 'em to Mr Lewis:
~~but before~~ They are now soliciting the Queens
bounty: & having lately receiv'd a Letter from Mr Lowndes
to know whether they had any Recommendation from
you (for so they had inform'd Her Matie) I sent him
a Copy of that I rec'd from you. I sh'd be very
proud at any time to have any of yo^r Commands &
am.

Sir

yo^r most Obedient
and most Humble Serv^t

J. Addison

Whitehall
9th Dec^r 1705.

JOSEPH ADDISON—ENGLISH ESSAYIST AND STATESMAN

Autograph Letter, Signed. 1705

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"Sir

"Tho I have not had the honour of a Line from you a great while I value my self too much on my correspondence with you to let it drop on my side. Our parliament gives wonderful content. It is thought the same members that chose Mr. Smith Speaker will tomorrow place Mr. Spencer Compton in the Chair for the Committee of Elections. Sr. Gilbert Dolber is his competitor. The weak side are at their old Game of preparing a Self-denying Bill, and tis not doubted but the Occasional One will follow. Sr. Edw'd Seymour stuck very much to-day at congratulating the successes of the Last year in the Common's Address to her Majestic. Mr. Hill has very much press'd to be Recalled from Turin since their scige is rais'd and I have just now drawn him up a letter of Revocation. He complains of ye approaches of Old Age & desires Retirement, but I believe will not prevail on ye Ministry to leave Mr. Chetwyn in his post, wch he Endeavours. We have every day Battles between our pamphleteers. One of em has writt'n a Memorial of ye State in Answer to the Memorial of the Church & is thought to have said many things very smartly. The Authour is one Stercus a Clergyman. We have no News from Catalonia or Lisbon but by way of France. In the City they take twenty Guineas to give a Hundred if Barcelona is not yet taken. Our Politicians here and at Turin are very much puzzled at ye Mock-Siege of that place wch had all the Expence & Labour laid out on it yt were necessary to a Real one. I think it is plain they design'd by it to divert the Storm from Catalonia and to turn all our preparing on the raising a Siege that they themselves never intended to prosecute.

"About a month ago I rec'd a Letter from you by three Neapolitans and was ready to do 'em all the Service I could; but on hearing the K. of Spain was before Barcelona they desisted from their intended Voyage to Portugal, and Resolved to return again to Vienna, and from thence by way of Italy to Barcelona. This lying in Mr. Secretary Harley's province I recommended 'em to Mr. Lewis; They are now soliciting the Queens bounty; & having lately receiv'd a Letter from Mr. Lowman to know whether they had any Recommendation from you (for so they had inform'd her Majie) I sent him a copy of that I rec'd from you. I shd be very proud at any time to have any of yor Commands & am

"Sir

"Yo. most Obedient

"and most Humble Scrrt.

"J. Addison."

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17. ALDRICH (THOMAS BAILEY—American author). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Ponkapog, Mass. Sept. 26, 1896." To "Mr. Otto Fleischner, Boston Public Library, Boston, Mass." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait. Relative to a Swinburne manuscript.
18. ALLEN (IRA—Surveyor-General of Vermont; brother of Ethan Allen). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Hague, July 24nd, 1796." To "Silas Baume, Esqr." With biographical note, and letter from W. R. Benjamin, New York, March 30, 1906, confirming genuineness of the autograph.

"... I wish to close business here as soon as Possible which induces me to give you the Earliest information as my name is not mentioned in the Bills it will be unnecessary to mention it in the sale any Trouble you may be at in this business by employing the Best Brother or otherwise will be honorably Paid."

19. ALLEN (IRA—Surveyor-General of Vermont; brother of Ethan Allen). A.L.S., 3pp. 4to, "Philadelphia, Sept. 10th, 1805." To "Mrs. Jerusha Allen." Marked "Confidential." With transcript. Marked "copy" on third page.

AN IMPORTANT LETTER, with mention of his trip to Europe in 1795, where he was arrested charged with selling arms to the Irish Rebels, but later vindicated.

"I sent to you a packet by Col. Holmes of Georgia which you have no doubt before this time recd. It contained a Letter to you & the Second Part of the olive Branch in which you will see a Justification of my Character and the Justice of my Cause and Claims on the British Government with Remarks on the Conspiracy of the Two Hemispheres.

"Mr. Madison Secretary of State & Mr. Merry, Minister of Great Britain are in this City one of my Books have been forwarded to the Seat of Government Permit me to assure you that I am Best Satisfied with Cool Deliberate measures . . . and to have an appraisal made of all the Present Value of the Property I owned in Vermont when I set out for Europe in 1795. . . ."

20. ALLEN (WILLIAM—United States Senator; Governor of Ohio). A.N.S., 1p. 24mo, "Greenville, Ohio, April 1 1861." To "A. Daggett Esq." With biographical note. ". . . I enclose a card containing the desired 'Autograph'."

21. ALLISON (WILLIAM B.—American Senator). A.L.S., 3pp. 12mo, "New York, Mch 10." To "Saml. Hooper." With transcript, and 2 portraits.

"Thanks for your note accompanying letter. I am detained here at the request of Mr. Jexup who with myself is working up a project to build 90 miles of road this year in Iowa. . . . I had read the proceedings in the house & observed the dignity and splendid decorum that characterized them. Banks excels on such occasions, indeed he always appears well on public occasions. . . ."

22. AMES (FISHER—American statesman; President of Harvard College). A.L.S., 3pp. folio, "New York, July 20, 1789." To "The Honble. John Lowell, Boston." Letter repaired. With transcript.

A VERY LENGTHY LETTER, with mention of Cushing and Madison.

". . . The Amendments to the Constitution were reported today by the Committee of one from a state, and ordered to be printed. . . . It is certain that Chief Justice Cushing has been recommended to the Pres. . . . Judge Cushing's merit is not to be disputed, nor parted with from the bench where he presides at present. . . . His mode of conducting the executive business is very secret. . . ."

". . . Mr. Madison is a federalist—but so timid that he is more frequently opposed to good men & measures than I expected. He will probably head the attack upon the judicial. . . ."

23. AMES (FISHER—American statesman; President of Harvard College). A.L.S., 3pp. 4to, "Philad Decr. 6 1792." To "Hon Mr Lowell." With transcript.

FINE POLITICAL LETTER, with mention of the assumption of state debts.

". . . I had at one time, made up my opinion that I was ousted & Mr Austen chosen. Mr. Jo Woodward came here & said, a Centinel,

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which he had seen, stated the votes for B. A. at 401 & for me 235. It turn'd out that the Comma after 40, was read 401. I discern plainly the operation of various causes tending to my overthrow so far as the eviction from Congress can effect it, one is that I am no friend to the Jefferson scheme of commerce & with my views of duty & of the interest of Mass'tts as a trading state, I cannot hesitate to act on those anti Jefferson principles. . . . The time for playing the fool by playing the Bravo agt. G. Britain, tho' not quite is almost passed. . . ."

24. AMES (FISHER—American statesman; President of Harvard College). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Phila. May 9, 1796." To "The Honble James Russell, Esqr, The Revd. Judidiah Morse, Richard Devens, Esqr. Charlestown, Massachusetts." With transcript.

"Mr Varnum being absent, I received and immediately presented to the House the Memorial of 124 of the Inhabitants of Charlestown. You will please to accept my congratulations that the object of your solicitude is already effected. . . ."

25. AMHERST (WILLIAM PITT AMHERST, EARL—British statesman; Governor-General of India). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Knole 24th. March 1847." To "Revd. Henry Lindsay, Rectory, Sundridge." With transcript, and portrait.

Enclosing donation for Sundridge School, with the following remarks.—

"It appears to me that under present circumstances it would be right to submit a statement of the income & expenses of the School to more than one individual similarly circumstanced with myself, that is, possessing property in the Parish though not resident therein. Those individuals might possibly think it their duty as much as I esteem it mine to assist in a matter in which the interests of the Parish are so deeply concerned."

26. ANDERSON (MARY—American actress). A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo, "Bates House. Indianapolis, Monday." To "Mrs. Sikes." With biographical note, and colored portrait.

"Your offer to write a play for me is very tempting—for I know how well you would do it. Let me tell you of my plans for a repertory and then you will see how in justice to you—I feel unable to ask you to write a play which in all probability I should never do. With my old list of plays & The Winters Tale I have more than enough. . . . I am very deeply grateful for your kindness to me and I should love to make what you call 'a sweet return'—but it would be anything but a sweet return to ask you to write a play—and then never do it, and now I could not do any new play. . . ."

27. ANDERSON (WILLIAM C.—Presidential Elector in 1856, Representative from Kentucky in United States Legislature). A.N.S., 1p. 12mo, "Danville Ky 3 April 1861." To "Albert Daggett Troy N. Y." With biographical note. *"You desire my Autograph—Here it is."*

28. ANDREW (JOHN A.—"War Governor" of Massachusetts). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Executive Department. Council Chamber Boston, Feby. 8, 1861." With transcript, biographical account, and portrait.

"I wish you would see Senator Hardy & advise him to accede to the Habeas Corpus provisions as they are proposed by Mr. Senator Stone of Newburyport. . . ."

29. ARNOLD (SIR EDWIN—author of "The Light of the World"). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "41, Yumai-cho Azabu, Tokio Japan May 9th" (no year). With transcript, and portrait.

Makes reference to his "Light of the World" then un-written. The letter is addressed to his American publishers, Roberts Brothers. With addressed envelope autographed.

"Dear Mr. Hardy:

I have to thank you for the very kind letter. . . . We are still here in Japan and likely to be, till the beginning of autumn, as I am at work upon a new great poem to be called the "Light of the World," and Japan makes a tranquil study for a poet. . . . Kindly send me any balance that may be due on Accounts addressing to the British Legation—Tokio."

30. ARNOLD (MATTHEW—English poet, critic and scholar). A.N.S., 1p. 8vo, "1, Sumer Square—W. May 6th." To "Dr. Collier." With 2 portraits, both etchings, one a proof before letters, with Arnold's signature.

31. ARNOLD (SAMUEL G.—Lieutenant-Governor of Rhode Island and United States Senator from Rhode Island). A.N.S., 1p. 12mo, "Thirty Seventh Congress Senate Chamber Washington City Decb. 4 1862." To "Albert Daggett Esqr Po'kepsie N. Y." With biographical note.

32. ARTHUR (CHESTER A.—21st President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "State of New York, Inspector General's Office. New York, March 22d 1862." To "S. W. Burt, Esq. Inspector Genls Office, Albany." With transcript, and portrait.

"I forgot when I wrote to you this morning to say that I am much pleased with the stamp you have had made & am much obliged. . . ."

33. ARTHUR (CHESTER A.—21st President of the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "State of New York, Quartermaster General's Department, New York, Dec 13, 1862." To "Genl. Hillhouse." With portrait, and biographical note.

"In case Major Price should resume his comd. in the 74th Regt I know just the man for the command of the 145th (Allen's) & one whom I would like vastly to have appointed. . . ."

34. ARTHUR (CHESTER A.—21st President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "No. 155 Broadway, New York, Nov. 8, 1880." To "General Wm. H. Morris, Mott Haven N. Y." With addressed envelope, and mourning card issued by the family on the death of Arthur.

35. ARTHUR (CHESTER A.—21st President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "123 Lex. Ave., New York, Aug. 16th, 1881." To "Samuel Ward." With addressed envelope, stamped. Accompanied by 2 portraits and a biographical note of President Arthur.

Written on mourning paper, occasioned by the death of President Garfield.

"Since my return I have been overwhelmed with correspondence and other duties requiring my personal attention and I have not been able until now to say a word to the many friends who thought of me and sent me their sympathy and good wishes in those dark dreadful days."

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36. ARTHUR (CHESTER A.—21st President of the United States). A.N.S., 1p. 8vo, "Executive Mansion, Washington, March 15 (1882)." To "D. G. Rollins Esq." With A.L.S., by John E. McElroy, relative to funeral arrangements on the death of President Arthur, and three mourning cards of various members of the family: also portrait of President Arthur.
37. ARTHUR (CHESTER A.—21st President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Executive Mansion, Washington, March 21, 1884." To "The Honorable Levi P. Morton, Paris." With portrait and note of Arthur. Letter repaired.
"I beg to introduce to you Mr. Albert Pulitzer a prominent journalist of New York City and a gentleman of character and social standing. . . ."
38. ARTHUR (CHESTER A.—21st President of the United States). A.N.S., 2pp. 8vo. "New York, July 11." To "John E. McElroy, Esq. Albany." With transcript, and portrait.
39. ASHMUN (GEORGE—Member of Congress from Massachusetts). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Springfield, Novr. 6, 1841." To "Hon. Franklin Dexter." With biographical note, and portrait. Relative to legal hearing.
40. ASTOR (JOHN JACOB—Merchant and fur-trader). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Balltown Springs, 5 Augst 1797." To "John Henry, Esqr., Attorney at Law, Albany." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.
" . . . I shall have the pleasure to accompany her to Albany in consequence of which She Request you not to take the trouble to Com for her we meant to have gon off this Day but the Badness of the wheather prevented oure Setting out."
41. AUGUR (CHRISTOPHER C.—Major-General, United States Army). Endorsement by Major-General C. C. Augur, "HeadQtrs, D. of Washington, 22nd Army Corps. Feb. 23, 1865," on back of A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, by Brigadier-General James Barnes, "Head Quarters District of St. Mary's, Point Lookout, Md., Feby 21, 1865." Also endorsed by Brigadier-General Edward O. C. Ord, "Hd Qtrs Army of the James—South of Richmond, Mar. 8th, 1865." With transcripts, and biographical note, and portrait of Major-General Augur. Makes mention of General Wallace.
42. BABSON (THOMAS M.—Lawyer). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "City of Boston, Law Department, 73 Tremont Street, Boston, March 10th. 1906." To "Col. J. H. Benton." With portrait.
43. BAILLIE (JOANNA—English poetess, friend of Sir Walter Scott). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Hempstead friday Novr. 22d." With transcript, and portrait.
With mention of her Poems.
"You are very welcome to insert the portions you have selected from my Fugitive verses in your vol. of Poems, intended for recitation . . ."

44. BALDWIN (HENRY—Associate-Justice of the United States Supreme Court). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Pittsburgh June 11, 1803." To "Hon. Samuel Huntington." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait. Letter of introduction of William Larwill of Pittsburgh, who proposes to "fix himself in your State."
45. BALDWIN (LEAMMI—American civil engineer of note). A.L.S., 3pp. 4to, "Harrisburg, May 12, 1826." To "Gen. Henry A. S. Dearborn, Boston (Mass.)."

HIGHLY IMPORTANT LETTER RELATIVE TO THE CANAL CONTROVERSY IN PENNSYLVANIA.

"... For a month I was very busy in making surveys, plans & a report upon the Harrisburg Canal, & just as I had finished it, came an Act of Legislature, directing the Company to stop all further proceedings; directing the Attorney to institute a process in the Supreme Court for trying the validity of their charter, unless, previous to the first of June, an agreement should be made between the Harrisburg Land Company & the State Canal Commissioners, for the purpose of giving to this Company all the benefits of their work, without prejudice to the State Canal. Our Canal is for taking water from the Susquehanna about eight miles above this place, to be used here for mills, manufactures, & water works to supply the town with water. It was to be navigable also. . . .

"The State Canal, you know, is intended to open a communication from Philadelphia to Pittsburg about 400 miles. The first three commissioners, appointed year before last, could not agree upon an engineer. One wishes to appoint J. L. Sullivan; one, Mr. Strickland; & one was desirous of appointing me. Under this unfortunate disagreement, they went on without an Engineer, picking up common surveyers here & there as they could, & made one of the most puerile & (to use a French word) inconsequent reports imaginable. . . .

"Last year the Board was remodelled & consisted of five members. They presented a report to the Legislature last winter, highly flattering, of course, to the excited imaginations of the easily excited Pennsylvanians, in favour of immediately undertaking the extensive, costly, difficult project of forming a canal 400 miles long, which must cross the Allegany mountains. Their reports, plans, etc. were laid before Mr. Strickland (not one inch of the distance having been examined either by him or any other Engineer under the Board) & he estimated the cost from 3 to 4 million dollars. This special display took with the Legislature, & they are now embarked in a work, which, to be good for anything, must cost them 10 or 12 millions. . . ."

46. BANCROFT (GEORGE—American historian). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Washington May 16, 1845." To "George Roberts, Esq. Boston." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.
47. BANCROFT (GEORGE—American historian). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "New York, Feb. 27, 1865." *Private*. With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

FINE POLITICAL LETTER.

"I clip from yesterday's Herald, what its correspondent says on the Bill respecting commerce between the states. I hope the subject has engaged your attention. As a democrat & as a patriot, I am for leaving to the states internal arrangements & development as far as possible;

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but to do this, states must not be allowed to encroach on the rights of the United States, & Congress must maintain the great public right. New Jersey, taking advantage of her position, levies a tax on all transit of men & merchandise through her territory. The rickety German Z. M. cereins do not permit that. . . ."

48. BARBOUR (PHILIP P.—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1836). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Orange, July 20th, 1828." To "Robert Beverley, Esqr. George-Town, Dt. Columbia." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait. Long and interesting letter on legal matters.

49. BARHAM (RICHARD H.—author of the "Ingoldsby Legends"). A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo, "Residentary House Amen Corner Feby. 2d." With transcript, and portrait.

FINE SPECIMEN.

"A vacancy has just taken place at the-Alms houses I mentioned. They are situate at a place called Little Sutton in Chiswick and belong to his Grace. The name of the person . . . you have been good enough to interest yourself is Elizabeth Hawkins. She is the widow of a man who carried a business as a shoemaker above 20 years at Chiswick where she still resides with her son who succeeded to his father's trade. . . . I can bear testimony to her respectability and that she is every way a deserving object. . . ."

50. BARLOW (FRANCIS C.—Brigadier-General in the Civil War). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Office of the Secretary of State of the State of New York, Albany, May 29, 1866." To "Hon. Henry A. Smythe, Collector &c." Recommending Captain George Degener for a position in the New York Custom House; A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Office of Barlow & Hyatt, Beekman Street, New York, Oct. 19th, 1866," enclosing "writs of error" and mentions Judge Nelson's name in connection with the same. With transcripts, and portrait.

51. BARNARD (JOHN G.—Major-General; served in Grant's staff). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Board of Engineers For Fortification Army Building, New York, Aug 6/79." To "J. E. Hilyard Esq." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

52. BARNUM (WILLIAM H.—American politician). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Syracuse, March 19, 1864." To "Brig. Gen. J. T. Sprague, Adj. Genl." With biographical note, and portrait.

"I desire to obtain an authorization to raise a company for my regt. for Mr. Andres Cassard. . . ."

53. BARRETT (LAWRENCE—American actor). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Fifth Avenue Hotel, Madison Square, New York, March 30, 1881." To "Miss Alger." With biographical note, and portrait.

"I have sold your play, with all your rights in it to Mr. Mallory—of the Madison Square Theatre, and I enclose you a check for \$500—which he paid for those rights. I hope you will be satisfied with what I have done. . . ."

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54. BARTLETT (SIDNEY—Lawyer). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Ap 27 '82;" Also,—A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "May 13, '82." To "J. H. Benton, Jr., Esq." Referring to draft of stipulations; Also,—A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "May 15, '82." To "Mr. Benton." Referring to New Hampshire legal cases.

55. BARTOL (CHARLES A.—American Unitarian clergyman; born in Freeport, Maine, 1813). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Boston—March 27, 1865." To "Dr. Sprague." With transcript, and biographical note.

"I have received & been reading your last volume with so much delight, you must let me express for it my thanks. You seem to me to be the biggest Catholic (not Romanist) the Protestantists have got. . . ."

56. BASKERVILLE (JOHN—celebrated English printer of the Bible and editions of the Classics). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Birmm. 20 Dec. 1756." With transcript, and portrait. Letter inlaid and protected with gauze.

VERY RARE, relative to English manufactured paper, with mention of some of his printing.

"I have for some time past hoped a line from you in relation to the Paper Scheme; whether you have sent or chose to send any of them post to Mr Culver as that is the only Article I lay any Stress upon his hands; pray do not send it, if you are more inclined to keep it; He shall stay till I can furnish him, which probably may be six Weeks or two Months; I have not more than six Ream of that sort,—which if I chose to do it, I could sell tomorrow in Birmm. at 24/, & if inserting his name makes the least difference in yr Scheme of Advertising, I shall like it quite as well left out. I have sent Samples of the ornamented paper & thin post gill to several neighbouring towns & have received Orders freely from them; . . . pray give me yr opinion if it would be wrong to make a present of a quire of each sort, & the thin gill, to the Princess of Wales, As a Sample of English manufactory; to be had at Mr Dodshup's; the present mine.

" . . . I shall have Virgil out of the press by the latter End of Jan'y & hope to produce the Volume as smooth as the best paper I have sent you. . . ."

57. BASSETT (WILLIAM G.—Lawyer). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "60 Crescent Street, Northampton, Massachusetts, Dec. 2, 1905." To "Mr. Benton."

58. BATES (JOHN L.—Governor of Massachusetts). A.L.S., 2pp. 1to, "The Waldorf-Astoria, New York, Jan. 8, 1911." To "Hon. Josiah Benton." With transcript, and portrait.

"I was called to N Y. suddenly on Friday on important business and must remain over for a conference of great importance to my clients tomorrow—Monday. . . . It is a case where I must stay or run the risk of jeopardizing large interests of a client and in a matter where I alone am sufficiently familiar with the facts of the case to protect them. . . ."

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59. BEAUREGARD (PIERRE GUSTAVE T.—General in the Confederate Army). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Corinth, Miss. April 17th, 1862." To "Hon. John J. Pettus Govr. of Miss. Jackson, Ten." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"... The condition of my health is such at present as to require complete repose for a while, when I hope to be again able to take the field with renewed energies in the defence of our cause and Country."

"Allow me to congratulate you on the gallant conduct of the troops from your State which were engaged in the recent Battle of Shiloh."

60. BEECHER (HENRY WARD—famous Brooklyn, N. Y. Congregational minister). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Brooklyn, N. Y. 124 Columbia Heights. 3/25. '79." With portrait.

61. BEECHER (HENRY WARD—famous Brooklyn, N. Y. Congregational minister). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Jany. 27, 1880." To "Mr. Dawson." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"Don't put me by the side of any woman (but my wife), nor any body else, that I shall have to talk to—if you do, You'll not get any speech."

"That's the plague of dinner speeches. I can't eat. The stomach and the head are not over friendly—and if I court the one the other gets into a miff & won't play!—These happy fellows that lay in a speech before hand, & have it ready, can also lay in a dinner—while I sit nibbling & sipping & wishing that my labour was over & the child delivered."

62. BELKNAP (JEREMY—American historian and clergyman; author of "The Foresters"). A.L.S., 3pp. folio, "Portsmouth, July 26, 1786." To "Mr. Jedidiah Morse, New Haven." With transcript, and portrait.

A remarkably fine historical letter.

"I acknowledge the Receipt of your Geographical work & am most obliged to you for it—In what follows you will see that I have endeavoured to attend to your Request & given you such Information respecting the State of N Hampr as appears to be agreeable to your Plan which is conciseness with exactness—I have added some few Corrections in other parts of your book which tho' not requested I hope will not prove unacceptable as I have often experienced the benefit of friendly Correction I tho't it but agreeable to Solomons Rule 'a man that hath friends must show himself friendly' so give ye same, & certainly that which is most free & unreserved is most friendly. To begin negatively, (as we Preachers sometimes do) I would advise you not to take any of your Descriptions of New Hampshire from Buc's Map of the United States, nor from Norman Doie's Map of N. E. both especially the latter (wh is copied from one in ye American Atlas) are very erroneous. Dr Langdon's Map, the latest edition by Abel Sawyer is the best that I have seen, but even that needs correction. If you can procure Holland's you may safely depend on him, but there are spurious maps published with his name, his genuine ones are sd to be published under the direction of Governor Pownall, these I have not seen. To be a true Geographer it is necessary like Holland to be a Traveller & a Surveyor. To depend on distant & accidental Information is not safe & there is a material difference between describing a Place that We have seen & one that We have not seen. But not to detain you any longer I will offer you the following Remarks & Corrections. . . ."

Then follows a long review of the work in question, with mention of the boundaries of New Hampshire and Maine, Harvard College, the Province of Maine, various maritime towns, the location of rivers, etc.

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63. BELLEW (HAROLD KYRLE—American actor). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Wellington, New Zealand Feb. 4: '97." To "Mr. Fiske." With transcript.

UNUSUALLY INTERESTING LETTER, written from New Zealand, where he was playing with Mrs. Potter.

"Advices from America tell Mrs. Potter in her last batch of letters that 'the report is here you are not doing well' I don't know who is the busy body interested enough in our business not to mind his or her own—but I should like to be able through you to contradict the 'report' as it affects us and may lead when coupled with the knowledge of a recent star's failure here to give people a wrong idea of Australia."

"Mrs. Potter and I have done splendidly—all through and made a lot of money. . . ."

"We are playing to 'record' business now through New Zealand. The public is a great theatre going one. . . ."

64. BELLWS (HENRY W.—Clergyman, New York City). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "New York, Dec. 21, 1842." To "Rev. Dr. Sprague, Albany." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait. Letter of appreciation, with mention of the recipient's collection of autographs.

65. BENTHEM (JEREMY—celebrated English jurist, author and teacher). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Queen's Square Place, Westminster, 1st Nov. 1825." To "Monsieur M. Moore, Esq." With biographical note, and portrait. Letter of thanks for the assistance afforded to my young friend on the occasion of my departure from Paris.

66. BENTON (JOSIAH H.). Passport issued to the late Mr. Benton, by the State Department of the United States, May 14, 1908. With autograph signature of Elihu Root, Secretary of State. With official seal. On the reverse are the signatures and stamps of several foreign officials.

67. BENTON (THOMAS HART—United States Senator from Missouri). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Washington City, March 6th, 1837." To "Thomas W. Griffith, Esq., Baltimore, Md." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

" . . . I regret to have to inform you that I have no pamphlet copies of my speeches on the Salt tax; and of those previously delivered I can find but one out of three in Sales & Senators Register of Debates. . . ."

68. BENTON (THOMAS HART—United States Senator from Missouri). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Senate Chamber, June 3d, 1840." To "Geo. M. Dallas, Esq., Philadelphia." With address, transcript, and portrait.

" . . . I am extremely glad that you are going to have a great celebration, and to collect as many thousands as possible together for the occasion . . . Several of our friends from this place will doubtless be able to attend—enough with your own speakers to occupy all the time that can be devoted to the object. For myself it will not be in my power, and is against the rule that I have been induced to prescribe for myself. . . ."

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69. BENTON (WILLIAM P.—Brigadier-General in the Civil War. The first man in Wayne County to respond to President Lincoln's call for 75,000 men). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Head Quarters 1st Brigid 2 Div. Camp at Lebanon, Mo. Feb. 9' 1862." To "His Excellency Gov. O. P. Morton." With transcript, and biographical note.
- "There being a vacancy in Co. I. 8th Regt. Ind. Vol. in the office of 2nd Lt. caused by the recent resignation of Lt. Banister, under the rule adopted by your late order I have the honor to apply for a commission for Sergt Maj. Noble Morris of Indianapolis, as being the next in rank. . ."*
70. BERNARD (FRANCIS—Governor of New Jersey and of the Province of Massachusetts-Bay). Printed Warrants,—(1) To the Treasurer, Mr. Gray, of the Province of the Massachusetts-Bay, Boston, May 4th, 1763. An order to pay to Dr. William Henry Crozier, the sum of Two hundred & thirty Pounds; (2) Another order to the same treasurer, dated, Boston, February 20th, 1766, being an order to pay Harrison Gray, the sum of One hundred & eighty three Pounds, for Grants. Each order signed in the autograph of Governor Bernard, and countersigned by Jno. Cotton, D. Sectry. Both inlaid. With biographical note, and portrait.
71. BERNHARDT (SARAH—French actress). A.N.S., 1p. 12mo, in French, "Star and Garter Hotel, Richmond." To a friend, enclosing some money. With two portraits.
72. BESANT (WALTER—English novelist). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Palestine Exploration Fund 1, Adam Street, Adelphia. W. C. March 4 1887." To "Rev. Dr. Macaulay." With transcript, portrait, and addressed envelope.
- "I have just seen the Rev Dr Nowbridge & learned from him that you have certain photographs of Hittite slabs. Could you kindly let Conder see them? You will have seen our letter to the Fims on the subject. . ."*
73. BLACK (WILLIAM—English novelist). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "4 Catherine Terrace, Lansdowne Road, Clapham Road, S. W. Friday Evg." (in pencil, Dec. 16 71)." To "Mrs. Kroker." With transcript.
- Refers to one of his books, probably "The Daughter of Heth" (1871), which established his reputation.
- "Let me thank you beforehand for the Penates, which I am sure I shall enjoy very much when they do arrive. I shall do what I can in the D. N., the authorities permitting; but only the little cherub that sits up aloft knows when we shall be able to get in another batch of Xmas notices. . ."*
- "P. S. If you care to look at Macmillan you will see I have altered the Uhlan & his surroundings considerably."*
74. BLACK (WILLIAM—English novelist). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "4 Catherine Terrace, Lansdowne Rd. S. W. Wednesday." To "W. Tinsley, Esquire" (his publisher). With transcript.
- "I send you on the other side about an inch of quotations; and I have added a couple of lines from the Leader. . ."*

75. BLAINE (JAMES G.—American statesman, Secretary of State). A.L.S., 2pp., 8vo, "United States Senate Chamber, Washington, 7 May, 1879." To "Chas Clark, Esq." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"It would be quite impossible to procure an autograph letter of Mr. Lincoln except by waiting for some chance auction. I notice that a short letter of his sold in N. Y. the other day for \$35.00."

76. BLAIR (FRANCIS P., JR.—Major-General, United States Army, and United States Senator from Missouri). A.L.S., 6pp. 8vo, "1855." To "James M. Stone, Esq." With transcript.

FINE POLITICAL LETTER.

"... I have little doubt that Col. Benton's defeat gave grief to almost every good and patriotic man in the country. . . . I think if Col. Benton is brought forward for the Presidency in a proper manner, that he can be elected. He does not himself talk about this matter, nor does he allow others to talk to him of it. The reason of this is, that of all our public men, he holds in the highest reverence Mr. Mason of North Carolina, who was the first to give utterance to the sentiment, the Presidency should neither be sought for nor declined. . . . My plan of the campaign therefore is simply to let every body who is in favor of Benton say so in public, let him be nominated in every village by any man in the village who is in his favor. . . . This plan has already been adopted to some extent. The great Democratic counties of Herkimer St. Lawrence & Yates in New York have in this manner indicated their preference for Benton. . . . When he has been fairly started in this way, many persons will support him who will do nothing towards bringing him forward. . . . Know Nothings are by no means as formidable as would appear from their recent victories. . . . the Know Nothings have availed themselves of it by falling in with and by taking different sides as it suited the sentiment of the different sections. Here for instance they were pro-slavery. In Massachusetts and elsewhere in the north they were anti-slavery. . . ."

77. BLAIR (FRANK P.—American soldier and politician). L.S., 1p. small 4to, "House of Reps. Decem. 26./61." To "Albert Daggett, Esqr., Troy, N. York;" Also,—A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "U. S. Senate Chamber, Washington, May 24, 1872." To "Uncle Ben." Personal affairs. With biographical note, and portrait.

78. BLAIR (MONTGOMERY—Postmaster General of the United States under President Lincoln). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Washington, March 14/60." To "Mr. Gibson." With biographical note, and portrait.

"Enclosed I send a bill of costs presented against Mrs. McRee by Mr. Carroll. I asked him how it happened that we are defendants in error & received costs and protest to pay—He replied that by the ruling of court ½ costs are turned to each party & that the successful party recovers & is refunded the amt so paid. . . ."

79. BLAIR (MONTGOMERY—Postmaster General of the United States under President Lincoln). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Washington, 19. Nov. 60." To "I. Rosenfeld, Jr. Esq. Cashr. Savings Institution, St. Louis." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait. Relates to the remittance of his fee for procuring the affirmance of the Judge, in the case of Kilbourne.

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80. BLAIR (MONTGOMERY—Postmaster General of the United States under President Lincoln). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Washington, Sept. 7, 65." To "Mr. Coyle." With biographical sketch, and portrait.

"I get a good many applications for my late speeches in pamphlet & being desirous of presenting them I have concluded to publish them together with notes. . . ."

81. BLATCHFORD (SAMUEL—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1882). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "United States Court House, Circuit Court Chambers, Room 34, Third Floor, New York City, Novr 17th, 1880." To "C. D. McDougall, Esq." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait. Regarding a Court appointment.

82. BLESSINGTON (MARGUERITE, COUNTESS OF—friend of Lord Byron). A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo, "Gore House May 8th 1845." To "Mrs Hervey." With transcript, and portrait.

Letters of Countess Blessington, who four years after the above was written became bankrupt and fled to Paris with Count D'Orsay, are seldom offered for sale.

"Your portrait will be sent to Brighton this day, and I hope will arrive without accident— It was a very great disappointment to me not to have had it in the Book of Beauty as a compensation for the lack of Beauty the last vol exhibited— I hope Mr. Hervey and your little ones, are quite well. . . . my kind remembrances to Mr. Hervey and believe me, joined by my nieces and Cts d'orsay in best regards for you. . . ."

83. BLOUET (PAUL—author of "John Bull and his Island"). A.L.S., 2pp., 12mo, "63, Madison Avenue (New York), 30 March, 1888." To "E. C. Stedman." With transcript.

"I leave it entirely to your conscience to decide whether it is fair to place before a sciatic man a bottle of Chateau Lafitt (1870), with the injunction to look at it. . . ."

84. BLOUET (PAUL—author of "John Bull and his Island"). A.L.S., 3pp., 8vo, "Paris 11, June 1902." To "Edmund Clarence Stedman." With transcript.

AN EXCEEDINGLY INTERESTING LETTER, written in English.

"I am now well settled in Paris, full of work, and, with the exception of little fainting fits, in fairly good health, at all events feeling no bad consequence from the operation."

"I constantly think of you and the tokens of friendship you gave me during my trials in New-York. . . ."

"We have a newly elected Chamber of Deputies and peace is restored to South Africa thanks to the personal efforts of Edward VII, who was sick of the whole thing and swore not to but at Chamberlain that he was not going to have his coronation look like a funeral. Concessions were made, and rightly made accordingly and those Boers, whose heroism has never been surpassed in ancient and modern times, have fought for something. . . ."

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85. BLOUET (PAUL—author of "John Bull and his Island"). A.L.S., 4pp., 8vo, "Paris, 26 Sept. 1902." To "Edmund C. Stedman." With transcript, and addressed envelope.

OF SPECIAL INTEREST, with mention of his work.

"... I am now at work again, but, my dear Friend, I cannot succeed in making a Frenchman of myself—and as Hearst wants me for the *Journal* more and more, I should not wonder if one of these days I went to America to end my days there, maybe even as an American citizen, if America would have me. . . . I tell you, the French have two terrible faults; they have no sense of humor and they can never come to the point. It seems to be their misfortune that they cannot say or do simple things in a simple manner: always endless explanations & speeches for nothing. . . . I may perhaps, during the coming winter months, attempt a little book on the French *la 'John Bull et son Ile'*. As, after all, my heart (if not my mind and body) is still very French. . . ."

86. BOOTH (EDWIN—eminent American actor). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, To "Mrs Botta." With biographical account, and portrait.

"I am very sorry that I cannot promise you the *Seats*—all were secured long before I was aware of it, and the excitement of getting the *Booths* together has prevented me from obtaining plans for several to whom I had promised good seats. . . ."

87. BOOTH (EDWIN—eminent American actor). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, To "Mrs. Botta." With transcript, biographical account, and portrait on India paper.

"I have delayed answering your beautiful note in order that, with my thanks for your very valuable book, I might send you the photograph I promised, but till today I have been unable to obtain one—I enclose it with this; I trust you will like it, I do not—it has a 'theatrical' look, I fancy, but 'tis the best I could get. . . ."

88. BOOTH (JUNIOR BRUTUS—eminent actor). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Baltimore Jany. 8th. 1843." To "W. Marshall Esq., Eagle Theatre, Boston, Mass'tts." With transcript, and portrait. (Scarce India paper.)

"I could be with you to play on Monday the 23rd of this month. If that time will suit you for my commencing the Engagement proposed in your Letter of the 1st I will agree to your Terms, viz: a clear third of the gross Receipts on four nights, and a clear half of the fifth. . . . and name such Characters as you wish me to perform. . . ."

89. BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS. A.D.S., 1p. 12mo, "Boston April 21th 1714." Granting permission to Mark Day to lay a drain. Signed by,— "Joseph Wadsworth, John Ruck, Wm. Welsted, Grove Hirst, Selectmen." Also,—A.D.S., 1p. 12mo, "May the 8th 1714." "To the Town Clerk of Boston." Granting permission to Joseph Hillier to lay a drain. Signed by,— "Jno. Marion, Edward Winslow, Wm. Welsted, Grove Hirst, Selectmen." Also,—D.S., 2pp. 4to, "Boston, May, 1816." To the "Town of Camden." Soliciting funds for the Massachusetts General Hospital, and requesting that the Town of Camden furnish 180 dollars as their portion of the subscription. Signed in the autographs of,— "T. H. Perkins, Josiah Quincy, Jos. May, Daniel Sargent, Tristram Barnard, B. Sullivan;" Also,—D.S., 2pp. 4to, "Boston, May, 1816." To the "Town of Georgetown." Same as above, with same signatures. Together, 4 pieces.

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90. BOSTON. EARLY RECEIPTS. A.N.S., 1p. 24mo, "Boston Janry: 13th: 1714/15." Receipt to Joseph Prout, Treasurer, for salary for keeping the school in Queen Street, signed by,—“Jacob Sheafe;” Also,—A.N.S., 1p. 12mo, “Boston Aprll 30th: 1719.” Permit to Mr. Benjamin Gallop to lay cellar drain, signed by,—“Jno. Marion, Elisha Cooke, Thos. Cushing, Ebenezer Clough, Selectmen;” Also,—A.N.S., 1p. 12mo, “Boston August 16th 1780.” To “David Jeffries, Esqr.” Request to “pay unto Capt. Joshua Farrington twenty three thousand and six hundred fifty five pounds for the purpose of raising men in Ward No. 12.” Signed by,—“Edward Proctor, Colo.” Endorsed on back,—“Received the within, Joshua Farrington.” Together, three pieces.

91. BOTTS (JOHN MINOR—Member of Congress from Virginia). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, “Auburn, Culpeper County, Va. Feby 11th, 1864.” With biographical note, and portrait.

FINE CIVIL WAR LETTER.

“... I happen to know something of the value of the United States Sanitary Commission and of the arduous and Christian duties that devolve upon them; as for the last twelve months, I have lived in the midst of armies, and I might almost say, in the midst of battles.

“From the portico of my house, I and my family have seen nine battles fought on my own fields, and just before my own door, between hostile troops, who but yesterday as it were, boasted of a common descent, a common history, a common Nationality, and a common destiny. This is not the time, nor the occasion to enquire, how, by whom, or for what purpose this heavy calamity has been brought upon our beloved country; it is enough to say, that if we had had no selfish, aspiring political demagogues in the land, who preferred their own interests to the interest of their country, we should have had no such war. . . .”

92. BOUCICAULT (AGNES—formerly Agnes Robertson, married Dion Boucicault). A.L.S., 1p. 12mo, “326, Regent Street, W. (Langham Place.) Saturday.” To “Mrs. Alston.”

93. BOUCICAULT (DION—eminent actor, died in New York). A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo, “Clarendon Hotel, New York March 23.” [no year.] With transcript, and portrait.

A VERY INTERESTING LETTER giving advice and with mention of his own work.

“I congratulate you upon the step you have taken.— You will derive a manifold benefit from it. . . . let me advise you earnestly to get an entirely new play to appear in—and appear at Drury Lane Theatre and no where else.

“Produce the play in America—and make yourself at home in the part before you go to London with it. . . .

“‘Daddy O’Dowd’ is all I could wish it to be as a success. We are leading the N. Y. Theatres—our receipts exceeding the best of them by about \$500 a week.

“But the best is bad at this deadest of seasons. I hope we shall pull up at Easter,—unless ‘Buffalo Bill’ & ‘Texas Jack’ scalp the pockets of all the intellects of this city. . . .”

94. BOUTWELL (GEORGE S.—Governor of Massachusetts, and United States Senator). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Groton, Mass., Aug. 15, 1867." To "Wm. A. Baker, Esq., Auburn, N. Y." With biographical note, and portrait.
*"As far as I know the paragraph quoted in your letter of the 5th inst. was original with me.
"I used it in a reception speech to L. Kossuth in 1852, while I was governor of Massachusetts. . . ."*
95. BOUTWELL (GEORGE S.—Governor of Massachusetts, and United States Senator). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Washington, Dec. 15th, 1883." To "J. H. Benton, Jr., Esq., Boston, Mass." With biographical note, and portrait.
96. BRACKETT (JOHN QUINCY ADAMS—Governor of Massachusetts). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Executive Chamber, State House, Boston, March 19, 1890." To "W. C. Van Derlip, Esq., 24 Hayward Place, Boston, Mass." With portrait. Acceptance of invitation to attend the Boston Theatre.
97. BRADLEY (JOSEPH P.—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1870). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Washington, March 4 1879." To "President Hayes." Also,—A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Hotel Kaaterskill, Catskill Mts., July 15, 1882." To "Mr. E. W. Nash," regarding books and periodicals purchased. With biographical note, and two portraits. Regarding Court appointments, with mention of Gen. Harrison.
98. BRADLEY (JOSEPH P.—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1870). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Washington, D. C. Feb. 26, 1890." To "Mr. Nash." With transcript, and portrait. Regarding the book: "Six Old Chronicles of England."
99. BRECKENRIDGE (JOHN C.—Vice-President of the United States; Major-General in the C. S. A.; Secretary of War C. S. A.). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Lexington, Ky. Aug. 8—1860." To "Apulion Cheny, Cheny Creek N. Y." With transcript, and portrait.
100. BREWER (DAVID J.—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1889). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "State of Kansas. Chambers of Associate Justice Supreme Court. Leavenworth, May 28, 1877." To "Hon. Chas Devens, Atty Gen'l U. S." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait. Regarding the qualifications of Charles A. Birnie, and with recommendation that he be "elevated to a position on the Federal bench."
101. BREWSTER (BENJAMIN HARRIS—Attorney General of the United States under President Arthur, 1881-1885). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Kauffman v Bernheimer C P No: 2 11 case." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.
"I have been ill for some days with a sharp cold & I could not either prepare or try a case. Will you for that reason have this case continued?"

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102. BROOKS (PHILLIPS—noted Episcopal Bishop of Boston, Massachusetts). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "233 Clarendon Street, Boston, June 13, 1891." To "Miss Charlotte S. Ward, 337 Marlborough, St. Boston." With transcript, and portrait. Letter of thanks for a gift.

103. BROOKS (PHILLIPS—noted Episcopal Bishop of Boston, Massachusetts). A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo, To "Rev. S. A. Clark." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"You will be sorry to know that I found our friends the Warners in deep trouble. Their youngest child—a little girl of three—died Monday night of Croup. They feel it bitterly & I do sympathize with them from my heart. Mrs. Warner bears it nobly. I have had a good deal of conversation with Mr. Warner & do believe it will be blessed to him. . . ."

"All else in Advent well. No news from China yet. I have been well catechized all through the parish since my return about you all, & have been fearing my only way to satisfy everybody wd be to give them an account of Elizabeth & its Rector from the Pulpit next Sunday. . . ."

104. BROUGHAM (EMMA—actress, first wife of John Brougham, actor and dramatist). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "24 Cranmer Place, Waterloo Road." To "A. Winn, Esq." Of dramatic interest, with mention of Mr. Wallack.

105. BROUGHAM (HENRY, BARON—Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "House of Lords Friday." With transcript, and portrait. Relative to the printing of some of his speeches.

106. BROUGHAM (HENRY, BARON—Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain). A.L.S., 8pp. 8vo. No date. With transcript, and portrait.

" . . . We have, as you are aware, a subcommittee which has been working for above a year on the important Sub- subject of Friendly Societies—and the want of returns to Tables which have been circulated with queries, among the Friendly Societies generally, is now stopping the labours of the Comtee.— There is supposed to be some little jealousy remaining on the part of these bodies from the Bill very unadvisedly brought into Parlt the Session before the last—& which so all the members of the U. K. Socy. who are in Parlt. opposed—It should be distinctly stated to the managers of these F. Soccs. that our only object is the collecting & diffusing information respecting the construction of Tables, the principles of calculation adapted to the subject, the object & best plans of F. Societies, the experience of persons engaged in such undertakings—and above all the preparation of Tables of lives & Casualties & sickness, adapted to the use of Societies. . . ."

107. BROWN (JOHN—author of "Rab and His Friends"). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "23 Rutland Street Edinburgh 14 Ap." To "Mr. Strahan" (publisher.) With transcript, and portrait.

"Thanks for your most kind note, which rejoiced the heart of my friend. She will be here till the 4th of May. . . ."

108. BROWNING (ROBERT—eminent English poet). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "19. Warwick Crescent, W. Feb. 2d. '74." To "Lady Combermere." With transcript, and 3 portraits, one proof before all letters.

"I beg to thank you for your kind invitation, and to say how happy I shall be to dine with you on Friday."

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109. BROWNING (ROBERT—eminent English poet). A.L.S., 6pp. 8vo, "19. Warwick Crescent, W Jan. 20. '77." With transcript, and etched portrait.

AN EXCEEDINGLY IMPORTANT AND LENGTHY BROWNING LETTER, written about the time of publication of his "Agamemnon of Aeschylus," with mention of Swinburne, Jowett, Arnold, and others.

"I have your letter of yesterday, and thank you, all I can, for its goodness and graciousness to me unworthy. . . . Well, I returned on Thursday . . . the passage from London to Oxford was unexceptionally prosperous; the train was full of men my friends. I was welcomed on arriving by a Fellow, who installed me in my rooms—then came the pleasant meeting with Jowett who at once took me to tea with his other guests,—the Archbp. of Canterbury, Bp. of London, Dean of Westminster,—the Airlies, Cardwells, male and female. Then came the Banquet. . . . and the dinner done speechifying set in rigorously. The Archb. p. proposed the standing "Floreat Domus de Balliolo"—to which the Master made due and amusing answer: himself giving the health of the Primate, Lord Coleridge, in a silvery speech, drunk to the University—responded to by the Vice Chancellor. I really forget who proposed the Visitor—the Bp. of London—perhaps Ld. Cardwell. Professor Smith gave the two Houses of Parliament,—Jowett,— the Clergy—coupling with it the name of your friend Mr Rogers—on whom he showered every kind of praise: and Mr Rogers returned thanks very characteristically and pleasantly. Ld. Lansdowne drank to the Bar (Mr. Bowen) Ld. Camperdowne to—I really forget what; Mr. Green to Literature and Science—delivering a most undescribed eulogium on myself—with a more rightly directed one upon Arnold, Swinburne—and the old pride of Balliol, Clough: this was cleverly and almost touchingly answered by dear Mat Arnold . . . the whole thing was brilliant, genial and suggestive of many and various thoughts to me—and there was a warmth, earnestness and yet refinement about it which I never experienced in any previous public dinner. Next morning, I breakfasted with Jowett and his guests, found that return would be difficult: while as the young men were to return on Friday, there would be no opposition to my departure on Thursday. . . . There were, I find, certain little paragraphs which must have been furnished by "Guessers."—Swinburne, set down as present, was away, through his father's illness; the Cardinal also excused himself, as did the Bp. of Salisbury and others. . . ."

[See Illustration]

110. BRYANT (WILLIAM CULLEN—American poet and journalist). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "New York, Sept. 18th. 1855." To "Wm. P. Sprague, Jr. Esq." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"I have uniformly, for many years past, declined all applications to deliver public lectures, and, in conformity with this rule, I must answer in the negative your obliging invitation to appear as a lecturer before your association."

111. BUCHANAN (JAMES—15th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Lancaster, 20 October. 1829." To "The Hon. John Branch, Secretary of the Navy." Address franked. With biographical note, and portrait.

"The Rev: Mr. Kennedy of Philadelphia has informed me that he is about making application to be appointed a Chaplain in the Navy. Mr. Kennedy is a Presbyterian clergyman, of respectable connexions. . . . He is the nephew of Col: Kennedy of this County who was one of the Jackson electors of this state last Fall. . . . I do not hesitate to say that such a Chaplain as he would make would be an acquisition to the Navy. . . ."

course in detailing all these sayings and
doings, because you lay the imputation
on me so to do. There were no reporters
supposed to be present - consequently (as
I was afraid) no account could appear in
the Oxford papers: I take it, that in
yesterday's "Times" was furnished by one
more of the guests: it is quite correct as far
as it goes. There were, I find, certain
little paragraphs which must have been
furnished by guests: "Lorn barne, set
down as present, was away, through his
father's illness: the Cardinal also excused himself,
as did the Bp. of Salisbury and others. There,
have I tired you? I will remember, and do shut
in profane words that Zimmerman, whom I hope to see
next week. I am crammed into a corner indeed:
but it will hold the appearance ^{that I am ever yours} ~~of my own~~.

ROBERT BROWNING—ENGLISH POET

Autograph Letter, Signed. 1877

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112. BUCHANAN (JAMES—15th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Lancaster, 19 June 1837." To "Edward D. Ingraham, Esquire, Philadelphia." Addressed franked with Buchanan's signature. With biographical sketch, and portrait.

"It would afford me great pleasure to comply with every request of yours; but I have made it a rule for my conduct not to recommend a gentleman for an important office without being personally acquainted with his wants. In all my visits to Philadelphia I have never enjoyed the pleasure of meeting Mr. Holbach nor did I ever hear of him until I received your letter. . . . It is my impression, without being confident of the fact, that Joshua Dodge Esquire who has long been our Consul at Bremen, is desirous of obtaining the appointment which Mr. Holbach is soliciting. . . ."

113. BUCHANAN (JAMES—15th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Washington 18 Jan: 48." To "Colonel Totten." With portrait. Letter inlaid.

" . . . There is no circle in the world where I would rather dine than in your 'little circle,' even if this were confined to your own family."

114. BUCHANAN (JAMES—15th President of the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "(Private) Wheatland, near Lancaster 3 April 1852." To "Col: John W Forney." With transcript, biography, and portrait. trait.

A highly interesting letter, giving his opinion in the matter of tariff legislation on the manufacture of iron.

" . . . I very much doubt, however, whether I ought at this moment to write a public letter on the subject of the Tariff. My motives, as well as any letter I might write would be misconstrued & misinterpreted. Besides, the Baltimore Convention will doubtless establish a platform on this subject where all good Democrats will be satisfied to take their position. Nevertheless you may say to Mr. Beale that, in my opinion, the days of a protective Tariff in this Country, have been numbered. . . . I would not, in any instance, transcend a strict revenue standard; . . . The manufacture of iron is plainly of such a character; & in this state, it is at present greatly depressed. Our furnaces are sinking one after the other, except those in very favorable localities & sustained by large capital. Many labourers and but little fitted for any other business are thus thrown out of employment & much feeling on this subject exists among the people. Unless a man very popular in Pennsylvania should be selected as our next candidate for the Presidency, this cause will render the success of the Democratic party doubtful in our State at the next election. . . ."

115. BUCHANAN (JAMES—15th President of the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Wheatland, near Lancaster 7 April 1853." To "Robert Tyler, Esquire." With transcript, and portrait.

"I have received numerous letters from valued friends, in the City & County of Philadelphia, requesting me to recommend them for appointments in the Custom House. . . . My position is peculiar in regard to these appointments. I am under obligations, which I shall ever gratefully acknowledge, to so many of the applicants, that if I were to recommend all who have just claims upon me, my recommendations, from their very number, would be entitled to but little consideration. . . ."

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116. BUCHANAN (JAMES—15th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Washington 5 Dec: '58." To "Dr. Morris." With portrait, transcript of letter, and note of Buchanan.

"I send you a Post Office Pass which will bring you here and carry you back free on the Rail Road. There is a possibility though little probability that the Message may be delivered tomorrow. . . ."

117. BUCKINGHAM (WILLIAM A.—Governor of Connecticut, and United States Senator). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "State of Connecticut, Executive Department: Norwich, Aug. 6, 1863." To "Hon. Henry Hammond." With biographical note, and portrait. Relative to relief and exemption for men who may be drafted from towns which have furnished a surplus of volunteers on former calls for troops.

118. BULWER (EDWARD, LORD LYTON). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "James St Buchn. Gate, London, June 27 1847." With 2 portraits. Letter inlaid. To a lady friend, asking for help in an election.

119. BURKE (EDMUND—celebrated British statesman and orator). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Westmr. June 25, 1776." With transcript, and portrait.

"If an old, but very inconsiderable friend preserves any share in your remembrance & regard, permit me to request your good offices in favor of my friend Mr Palmer. . . . He is quite a stranger in Dublin. . . . You will find him perfectly worthy of your regard & Esteem. He possesses a Taste & talent for Poetry & Musick, & when you know that he is Nephew to Sir Joshua Reynolds you will naturally expect to find those amiable qualities & that ingenuity, in which most assuredly you will not be disappointed. . . ."

120. BURNSIDE (AMBROSE E.—Major-General in the Civil War; Governor of Rhode Island). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "State of Rhode Island. Executive Department, Providence, Feby. 3, 1867." To "Hon. Henry A. Smythe." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"I take great pleasure in recommending the bearer, Robt. S. Stocum Esq. for a position in your department. Mr. S. is the brother of Col. John S. Stocum who was killed at the '1st Battle of Bull Run' as he led one of the regiments of my brigade into action. . . ."

121. BURNSIDE (AMBROSE E.—Major-General in the Civil War; Governor of Rhode Island). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "State of Rhode Island, Executive Department, Providence, Jan. 10 1868." To "His Excellency Andrew Johnson President U. S." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"I have the honor to enclose a petition for the pardon Martin Twirk who is now confined in the penitentiary at Sing Sing New York—I am sure you can do no better act than to pardon this man—He has been a most excellent citizen until led away by evil associations. . . ."

122. BURR (AARON—Vice-President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "N. York 27, Ap. 1801." To "Hon. Js. Madison, Sec. of State." Franked address. With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.
"Joseph Crockett writes me from Jessamine County in Kentucky that he is a Candidate for the office of Marshall—that he was a Captain in the Virginia line during the late War and that he was a neighbour of, and personally well known to Colonel Jefferson,—Having myself no recollection of Captn. Crockett, I can add nothing to the information which he communicates. . . ."
123. BURR (AARON—Vice-President of the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Washn. City, 5 Mar-06." To "William P. Van Ness Esqr.—Kinderhook N. Y." With biographical note, and three portraits.
*" . . . Though I regret that you have not found leisure for the purpose proposed when we last met, yet I am far from being disposed to reproach you—The matter was proposed to you with much hesitation & only because it was believed that it could not be so well performed by another—Though I should have been highly gratified by the execution, I do not repeat the request.
"There is not the smallest foundation in truth for the reports which have reached you reporting an European Voyage—It is wonderful however that you should deem it a subject of felicitation."*
124. BURR (AARON—Vice-President of the United States). A.N.S., 1p. 8vo, "In Chancery. Somers et al vs Wilson et al." To "George Wilson, Esq in pro. pers. 13th Sept. 1828." Relative to a Court order in connection with the above case.
125. BURR (AARON—Vice-President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "9 Dec." To "M Willett, Esqr." With biographical note, and portrait.
"When I took your last endorsement payable at twenty Days, I expected that the Sale of my property would have been completed before the expiration of that time—It has happened otherwise . . . which obliges me to ask for a further indorsement. . . ."
126. BURRITT (ELIHU—"the learned Blacksmith"). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Peace Brotherhood and Progress," "3 Winchester Buildings London, Aug. 22, 1851." To "Edward Ashby." With transcript, and portrait.
"Hearing you are much interested in the Peace Movement, I take the liberty of addressing a few lines to you on that subject. I should be glad to visit Stomex on Tuesday next, and explain to a few ladies, in some private room, a department of the Peace Movement, called the 'Olive Leaf Mission,' which is sustained entirely by the ladies of this country and America. . . ."
127. BURROUGHS (JOHN—American writer and naturalist). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "West Park, N. Y. July 6, 1908." To "Mrs. Sarah H. Trumbull, Beverly, Mass." With transcript, and portrait.
" . . . The writers best reward is the approbation of his intelligent & sympathetic readers."

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128. BURTON (B. H.) A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Friday Octo 9." To "Hill." Regarding an appointment.

129. BURTON (WILLIAM E.—English comedian). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Chambers St., N. Y., April 1, 1856." To "P. O'Hanlon, Esq." With biographical note, and portrait.

"The proper reading of the line in question is Volscs, not Voices. The Romans were at war with the Volscians, and Caius Marcus, afterwards Coriolanus, scattered the Volscians or, as he says, fluttered them, like an eagle in a dove cote."

130. BUTLER (BENJAMIN F.—Attorney-General of the United States, Major General in the Civil War). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Sandy Hill Sept. 29th 1819." To "Col. A. Burr." With biographical note, and portrait.

"I have yours of the 22d. inst. I have recd. one or two very peremptory demands from Mr. Baldwin about filing the answer of Augustine Prevost to which I have by this mail replied, 'that you have the controul of the cause as counsel therein, & as residing nearest to G. W. Prevost the principal deft. & that I therefore refer him to you on the subject.' . . .

"I regret that the multiplicity of Mr. Van Burens concerns, political, official, and professional, prevented him from informing me of your communications with him on the subject. . . ."

131. BUTLER (BENJAMIN F.—Attorney-General of the United States; Major-General in the Civil War). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "New York, Decr. 12th., 1834." To "Thos. W. Olcott, Esqr." With biographical note, and portrait.

132. BUTLER (BENJAMIN F.—Attorney-General of the United States; Major-General in the Civil War). A.L.S., 4pp. 4to, "New York, Jany 25th, 1843." To "The Hon. Hugh S. Legaré, Atty. Gen. U. States, Washington." With biographical note, and portrait.

Legal letter refers to two cases, one as follows,—

"The case of the Schooner Catharine, Tyng claimant, vs. the U. States, will probably be disposed of without an argument of the appeal. Negotiations are now going on between the counsel for Tyng and the British Consul, between whom a controversy is pending as to the cargo of the vessel. . . ."

133. BUTTERFIELD (DANIEL—Brigadier-General in the Civil War). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "New York, March 30, 1865." To "His Excellency R. R. Fenton, Governor of the State of New York." Recommending Lieutenant E. E. Sill, of the 136th N. Y. for promotion; Also, A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Washington, D. C." To "Adj't. Genl. Hillhouse," calling attention to the application of W. E. Butterfield, 1st Lieut. 61st Regt. N. Y. S. V. With transcript of each letter, and portrait.

134. BYRON (GEORGE GORDON, LORD—author of "Don Juan"). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "March 2d, 1814." No place. With transcript, and portrait.

A FINE SPECIMEN, SIGNED "BYRON," written shortly after the publication of "The Corsair" (Jan. 1814), and about the time of the publication of the satire,—*"Anti-Byron,"* (March, 1814).

"My dear Sir

"I am afraid that what you call trash is plugging to the purpose—and very good sense into the bargain—and to tell the truth for some little time past I have been much of the same opinion—which serves to confirm me in my present resolution.

"Are you fond of cyder and sherry? I have a hogshead of each in Worcestershire which I don't know what to do with—and if you like it, it shall be sent carriage free—and presented to you for your 'bye drinkings' without expense & as little trouble as I can give you with it.

"I want all my boxes of papers and trunks that may contain others as some I have at present a wish to refer to. Let them be sent down when convenient."

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135. CADELL (ROBERT—the publisher of Sir Walter Scott's writings). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Edinburgh 29 June 1824." To "Wm Jordan." With transcript, and portrait on Japanese vellum paper.

Mentions Scott's "Redgauntlet."

"I had a good laugh at Your Review of Redgauntlet. You used to say that I was very fine in my characters of books. . . . I pity the reader who does not relish Wandering Willie and Peter Peebles, and Nasby, and Provost Crosby &c.—When the Englishers differ about the merit of Redgauntlet, if they do they do not understand it. . . .

"As I am sending you muckle books pray accept also a Copy of Sr. W. Scott's Swift, of which we have just brought out a new edition, there are some new letters in this edition, and the great author has revised the Life . . ."

136. CALHOUN (JOHN C.—Vice-President of the United States). A.L.S., 4pp. 4to, "War Dept. 9th June, 1822." To "Hon. Thos. J. Rogers." With transcript, and portrait.

"The pressure of official duties has prevented me from acknowledging your favor of the 14th of May till this time. The unanimity which prevails in Pennsylvania is very gratifying. . . . I hope, that our friend Vaughan will be the Republican candidate. No one will administer the State more safely or virtuously. If Pennsylvania stands firm, the hopes of the opposers of the administration must be blasted.

"Information from all quarters still continue favorable. It is particularly so from the West. The Gazette continues to pour its torrent of filth against me, but with effects very different from what it intends. After clamoring for the documents in the Rip Rap contract, he has not had the candour to publish them. . . . We want a paper here to expose such rillainy. You will see by the prospectus, of which I enclose you copies, that Col. McKenny proposes to publish such a paper. . . .

"The meeting between McHuffie & Cumming probably took place on the 7th but on the Caroline side of Savannah River. I trust in God he is safe. Few lives are so valuable as his. . . ."

March 2^d 1814.

My dear Sir

I am afraid that what you
call Cash is largely - & the purpose - and
very good sense into the bargain - and to
tell the truth for some little time past I have
been much of the same opinion - which serves
to confirm me in my present resolution -

Are you fond of cyder and perry? - I have a
large head of each in Worestershire which I don't know
what to do with - and if you like it - it shall
be sent carriage free - and presented to you for your
"bye drinkings" without expence & as little trouble as
I can give you with it -

GEORGE GORDON, LORD BYRON

Autograph Letter, Signed. 1814

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137. CALHOUN (JOHN C.—Vice-President of the United States). A.L.S., 4pp. 4to, "Washington 7th Jan'y. 1829." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"The people have indeed achieved a great victory, which I hope may be so used as to result in the lasting prosperity of the country; to effect which much will depend on the virtue and patriotism of those, who took the lead in the support of the successful candidate. . . . With these views, I deem all movements in relation to the succession, not only disrespectful to the President elect but vicious; and I hope that they will be discountenanced by every friend of the party and country. Let us on our part do our duty by contributing to give solidity and a wise direction to the next administration; . . ."

"The excitement to the South is great but I do not doubt attachment of the section to the Union. The people of that section have ever been devoted to their attachment. . . ."

138. CALLENDER (JOSEPH JR.). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Boston, April 3, 1762." To "Mr. William Cooper, Town Clerke."

An interesting letter showing the requirement necessary under the Massachusetts laws for keeping strangers in town.

"In Conformity to the act of the Province Relating to Receiving such Persons into our houses Who are not inhabitants of the Town. I will to the best of my knowledge Inform you of a Girl who now Lives With me her name is Bethiah Thayer, of about 13 Years old. I Received her the 16th March last. She Came from Brantree where the most of her Friends Lives. . . . She was sent into Town, I Believe not so much out of Necessity, as to Learn the Oeconomy of Family here. For I understand she has some Estate left her which she Possess When of Age. . . ."

139. CAMERON (SIMON—United States Senator from Pennsylvania. Secretary of War. Minister to Russia). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Middletown, July 11, 1840." To "Reoh Frazer, Esq." With biographical note, and portrait.

"I have been spending some days up the Susquehanna, and have had an opportunity of seeing some hundreds of the most active & influential democrats of the North. I have never seen so much enthusiasm & such a determination to succeed as now pervades the whole party. When the democrats determine to succeed, you know they can do so. . . ."

140. CAMPBELL (JOHN A.—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1853). A.L.S., 3pp. 4to, "Private. I Street, April 21st 60." To "Hon. L. Q. C. Lamar." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait. Lengthy and interesting legal letter, with mention of the "Dred Scott" case.

141. CAMPBELL (THOMAS—British poet). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Ashford, near Stainer, April 4, 1830." To "Mrs (Dr) Hughes." With addressed envelope, transcript, and portrait. Refers to his own illness.

142. CANNING (GEORGE—English statesman). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "[Drinking-thut,] Augt. 6, 1796." With portrait.

"Lord Grenville has desired me to return you the inclosed Paper.

"I am sorry that there has been in any delay in preparing your letters of Recall. It has arisen only from the loss of the Book in which the Precedent for them is to be taken. . . ."

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143. CARLYLE (THOMAS—author of "The French Revolution"). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Addiscombe, 7 April, 1849." To "Mr. Macready." With transcript, and portrait.

INTERESTING LETTER WRITTEN TO THE FAMOUS ACTOR, WITH MENTION OF MRS CARLYLE.

"There is nothing so judicious done as what you propose: pray do it, therefore; and unless this Donnedian volunteer to send me some Cromwell letters which I have not, let the affair drop at this point.

"I came walking out hither yesterday afternoon; one of the finest days I have ever seen, converting the whole country into a series of Canalettis or Claude-Lorraines for me, as I stalked silently along. . . . Jane I found pretty well; all is very quiet here as yet, all is very vernal; and we are to return on Monday,—soon after which may we not hope to see you? Jane sends all manner of kind regards to you and every one."

144. CARLYLE (THOMAS—author of "The French Revolution"). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "4, Myddelton Terrace, Pentonville, Thursday." To "I. Taylor, Esq. Waterloo Place." With transcript, and portrait on India paper.

Relative to his famous life of Schiller.

"I leave Town on Saturday morning at 7 o'clock, for a month or five weeks. I wish very much of course to have that copy of Schiller complete in print before me, and some settlement about the publication of it prior to my departure. . . ."

145. CARROLL (CHARLES, OF CARROLLTON—last surviving Signer of the Declaration of Independence). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Doughoragen 25th, Sept. 1826." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"I have learnt from a source on which I can rely that Wiltshire & his wife are underscoring objects of charity: they have no intention of going to Barbados; . . . their going to that Island, or rather their saying so was to obtain a loan of \$200, or \$300 which they never intend to pay . . ."

146. CASS (LEWIS—General; Governor of Ohio; Secretary of State of the United States under Buchanan). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Washington Feb. 10, 1819. Private!" To "Fletcher Webster, Esq." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"Some days ago Mr. Forbes wrote me that from information he had received from China, he had reason to believe that our recent treaty with China was subject to the objections you state. I immediately requested Mr. Forbes to come here, that the subject might be properly investigated. He came without delay, and after a full examination of the treaty, and of Mr. Pierce's dispatches and also of the correspondence between that gentleman and Lord Elgin he became perfectly satisfied that the treaty should be ratified. . . ."

147. CASS (LEWIS—General; Governor of Ohio; Secretary of State of the United States under Buchanan). A.L.S., 4pp. 4to, "Paris, March 12, 1842." To "Mr. (T. W.) White." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"I am ashamed to have disappointed you so much respecting the continuation of my account of Cypress. But the truth is it has been impossible for me to procure the necessary statistical information. I did not

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want to send you a paper unworthy of your Journal. So you must excuse me, and trust to my determination to go on the moment I can, which will be shortly. May I ask you to send me thro' my friend Maj Lewis two copies of my first article upon Cypress, as I have mislaid the only one I had.

"I forward herewith a Journal des Debats. You will find at the bottom of the three first pages what the French Journalists call a Feuilleton, literally a little leaf. It is a part of the daily papers, which is devoted to literature, to arts & the sciences, and thus the uninteresting monotony of politics is broken by these articles, often written by the ablest authors & generally instructive & amusing. These is a class of literary men here attached to the daily press, who devote themselves to this pursuit. . . . Would to heaven that our papers would adopt the same plan, and diversify their tedious political contests by a little sprinkling of taste and sense. . . ."

148. CATRON (JOHN—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1837). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Feby 14/53." To "The Librarian of the H.R." With transcript, and portrait. Regarding State papers.

149. CHAMBERLAIN (J. L.—Brig. Gen. in the Civil War). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Augusta, Feb. 9, 1869." To "A. C. Cary, Esq." With transcript, and portrait.

"I have asked the Legislature to make the requisite appropriations for paying the balance of your bill when the council shall have audited it. . . ."

150. CHAMBERLAIN (JOSHUA L.—Brigadier-General in the Civil War; retired from the army with a brilliant record). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Portland, Maine, January 5th, 1910." To "Colonel J. H. Benton, Boston, Mass." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

". . . Your courtesies to me in years past are not forgotten. Especially cherished is the remembrance of an evening at the Algonquin, where with dear General Martin and our honored friend General Wooford of New York, we had a rare symposium. . . ."

151. CHANDLER (WILLIAM E.—Secretary of the Navy, and United States Senator from New Hampshire). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Waterloo N. H. Octo 20 1913." To "Hon. J. H. Benton, Boston." With transcript, and portrait with autograph signature.

". . . The pamphlet of W E C & Edna Dean Proctor shows what we have done. Gen C H Darling is Chairman of our Boston Committee. Please cooperate with them in circulating the full account in Massachusetts. . . ."

152. CHANDLER (ZACHARIAH—United States Senator from Michigan, Secretary of the Interior). A.L.S., 3pp. 12mo, "Forty-Second Congress U. S. House of Representatives Washington D. C. Sept. 19th 1872." To "Hon. H. Hamlan." With biographical note, and portrait; Also,—A.L.S., 1p. 8vo.

"I want you to come to Michigan & hold four or five mass meetings in as many of the largest and strongest Republican Counties in the State, say Jackson, Linoxa, Hillsdale & Branch Counties. Blair has made the most impression in these strong Republican counties. . . ."

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153. CHANNING (WILLIAM E.—celebrated American Unitarian Minister). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Boston, Jany. 26, 1811." To "Rev'd Mr. Greeley Turner, Me." With biographical note, and portrait.

154. CHASE (SALMON P.—Chief Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1864). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Cincinnati, Feb. 11, 1845." To "Robert F. Paine, Esq. House of Representatives, Columbus, Ohio." With transcript, and portrait.

"There is loud complaint in this quarter that the habeas corpus act is so defective that it is almost useless as a security of personal liberty. The writ is not directed to the Sheriff: consequently a person restraining another of liberty may put the writ in his pocket and go beyond the jurisdiction of the Court and laugh at its authority: now a person claiming the custody of another, as a child or several for instance may make his own case by his return, and this return except so far as contradicted by testimony is to stand as true: then there is no provision for continuances, or for costs, or for safe keeping. . . ."

155. CHASE (SALMON P.—Chief Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1864). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Washington, Jany 18, 1850." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

FINE POLITICAL LETTER.

"The Telegraph brings news that the Senatorial Election was postponed yesterday for one week on motion of Gen. Cushing. The result has disappointed the friends of freedom here greatly. . . . I am anxious to know more clearly than I can gather from the papers what the cause of this frustration of the arrangement between the parties is. . . . The impression here is that the Free Democracy did not take due precaution in acting with the old line . . . Will the Free Democracy adhere to Sumner at all costs? If not, would it be possible to elect Mills or Waton? I feel a deep interest in the election of Sumner if possible and if not of Mills, Waton or some other who will counsel with me in carrying on our warfare. Seward's views are different from mine. He expects to revolutionize the Whig Party, Capitalists and all, and anticipates, I suppose, some grand scheme of compensated emancipation, national debt &c. &c. Hale is excellent for a debate or skirmish, but he will not adopt a system of action or consult us to one. . . ."

156. CHASE (SALMON P.—Chief Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1864). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Treasury Department, Oct. 7, 1863. Private." To "Cyrus W. Field, Esq." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"I am glad that you are doing your part towards making the Stay of the Naval Officers of the Good Queen in our Metropolitan harbor agreeable to them. My faith is strong that the English Government will yet see that the interests of mankind demand that there should be no alienation of the two great branches of the Anglo Saxon family from each other; and will do its part towards removing all causes of alienation by full reparation inflicted on American Commerce by unneutral acts of British subjects, known to & not prevented by the responsible authorities. . . ."

157. CHASE (SALMON P.—Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court, appointed 1864). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Treasury Department, Dec. 10, 1863." To "Hon. E. R. Stanton," relative to a letter from a Mrs. Wright, asking an appointment for her husband; Also, L.S., 1p. 4to, "Treasury Department, July 6th, 1863." To "H. Barney, Collr. New York," relative to a bill for office furniture supplied to the Appraiser's Department. With transcript of each letter, and portrait.

158. CHASE (SALMON P.—Chief Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1864). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Washington, Sep. 20, 1866." To "Mr. Ball, Esq." With transcript, and portrait.

"I wrote you a few days since about the notes of ——— name not recollectend endorsed by Frazer. I have not yet found them, and fear they were stolen. . . ."

159. CHASE (SAMUEL—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1796). A.D.S., 3pp. 4to, no date. To "His Excellency, The Governor & The Hon. The Council of Maryland." With transcript, and portrait. Recommendation, with 28 signatures that Robert Lawson be re-appointed Justice of the Peace.

160. CHOATE (RUFUS—brilliant American lawyer). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "In Court Oct. 19th, 1842." To "Asa Andrews, Esq. Ipswich." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"I have the great pleasure to inform you that the Jury have this moment rendered a verdict in your favor for the sum of \$1983—& a few cents. We had the aid of a kind, fair & able charge & course of instructions of the Bench; an intelligent jury & tolerant prosecuting officer. . . ."

161. CHOATE (RUFUS—brilliant American lawyer). 14pp. 4to, of the original manuscript of a speech by Choate at the great political meeting in Lowell which Daniel Webster attended as presiding officer. With partial transcript, biographical note, and 2 portraits; also two pages of manuscript in another hand.

Regarding this meeting, which was well attended, Daniel Webster tells the following, speaking of the supports,—*"I think the floor is going to fall and we shall all be in hell together in ten minutes if we do not get out of here."* To this Choate later replied,—*"Brother Butler, did you think that because I was thrown with you here we should necessarily go to the same place hereafter?"*

A portion of Choate's manuscript reads as follows,—

"To meet my fellow-citizens of Lowell and of Middlesex, without distinction of party, between whom (the larger number of whom) and myself I may hope from the terms of the call under which you assemble there is some sympathy of opinion and feeling on the political topics now prominent before the community. . . . not as sectionists (God forbid!) but as sons and daughters of our united and inherited America, who love her filially, ferrently for herself, our own, the beautiful, the admired, the bountiful, the imperial and general Parent—and whose heart's desire and prayer to God is to know how we shall serve her best—this is a pleasure and privilege for which I shall be very long and very deeply in your debt."

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162. CIVIL WAR OFFICERS. Autograph Signatures of Major-General Philip Kearny, Major-General John C. Fremont, Major-General Don Carlos Buell, General W. T. Sherman, Brigadier-General Nathaniel Lyon, Major-General Franz Sigel, and Major-General Oliver O. Howard. With biographical note and portrait of each; Also, Autograph Signatures of,—General H. J. Kilpatrick, Bvt. Major-General Abner Doubleday, John E. Wool, Major-General George H. Thomas, and Major-General Winfield S. Hancock. The whole neatly mounted and hinged in one folder.

163. CLAY (HENRY—United States Senator from Kentucky; United States Secretary of State). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Washington 28t Dec. 1811." To "William Strother Madison Surgs. Mate Special." With biographical notice, and portrait.

"To the list of recommendations which have been made to you of persons suitable for surgeons' mates in the Navy, I will add the name of William Strother Madison, son of Gabriel Madison late of Kentucky. . . ."

164. CLAY (HENRY—United States Senator from Kentucky; United States Secretary of State). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Washington 10t Oct. 1826." To "Capt. John Meany." With franked address, biographical notice, and portrait.

"Your letter of the 13th ulto kindly communicating your willingness to carry any letters which I might wish to transmit to Rio de la Plata, reached this city before my return, and I have not before had leisure to acknowledge the receipt of it. I thank you for your obliging offer. In respect to alleged overcharges at the American Consulate, the subject will be attended to, and information of the views of Government will be officially communicated. . . ."

165. CLAY (HENRY—United States Senator from Kentucky; United States Secretary of State). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Ashland 22d Sept. 1838." To "Captn Marryat." With transcript, and portrait.

"I hasten to reply to your favor of the 20th inst. this moment received. I scarcely need say that it has excited both surprize and pain with me that the circumstance of your dining with me, which I am quite sure afforded mutual satisfaction, should have been made the occasion of the propagation of a report so unfounded as that to which you refer. Nothing could be remoter from the truth than that you contradicted or insulted me, or declined to drink a glass of wine with me. On the contrary, your whole conduct and deportment were perfectly gentlemanly. I derived much pleasure from your conversation and company; and you will recollect that, when we parted, I expressed a hope that I should again meet with you; and you made cordial acknowledgements for the very trifling attentions which I had been able to show you. . . ."

166. CLAY (HENRY—United States Senator from Kentucky; United States Secretary of State). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Ashland 20t Nov. 1843." To "Benjamin Balch Esq. Newburyport, Massachusetts." With biographical notice, and portrait.

"I received your favor, transmitting a plan of the 'National Life Insurance Company of Massachusetts,' and informing me that my name has

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My Dear G's -

I'm afraid we
shan't see you in Eu-
rope; we've abandoned
the idea of ~~the~~ going over.
We want to go, but we
can't well afford it. We
have made but few
investments in the last
few years which have
not turned out badly.
Our losses during the
past three years have
been prodigious. There

SAMUEL L. CLEMENS—"MARK TWAIN"

Autograph Letter, Signed. 1884

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been proposed as President of the Company. Whilst I am thankful for the compliment which such a proposal implies, I could not reconcile it to my sense of propriety to accept the appointment, if it were formally tendered to me. At the same time, I offer my best wishes for the success of the contemplated Company. . . ."

167. CLAY (HENRY—United States Senator from Kentucky; United States Secretary of State). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Ashland, 21st June, 1847." To "R. H. Wilde, Esq." With transcript, biographical notice, and portrait.

" . . . After our unsuccessful endeavor to obtain, in the case of Villars the order of Rochmore, I confess that I felt some disappointment and discouragement; but I now hope that we may be able to do without it. I am glad that you feel so much confidence, and that it has been invigorated by the opinions of the eminent gentlemen whom you have consulted. It has been always my wish and intention to assist, if I can, in the Argument before the S. Court of the U. S. I concur entirely with you that if we succeed at N. Orleans, there is nothing to apprehend at Washington. . . ."

"The draught which you have made of a petition to the S. Court will answer. I will sign it and get Crittenden or Johnson to present it at the assembling of the Court in December. If the prayer of it should be granted, I will instruct one or the other of those gentlemen to endeavor to prevail on the Court to fix the trial somewhere about the 10th February next, . . ."

168. CLEMENS (SAMUEL L.—"Mark Twain"). A.L.S., 8pp. 8vo, "Hartford, May 4/84." Written in pencil, on one side of 8 leaves. With transcript, and portrait.

AN EXCEPTIONALLY FINE LETTER OF FAMILY INTEREST.

"My dear G's—

"I'm afraid we can't see you in Europe; we've abandoned the idea of going over. We want to go, but we can't well afford it. We have made but few investments in the last few years which have not turned out badly. Our losses during the past three years have been prodigious. Three or four more of such years would make it necessary for us to move out of our house & hunt for cheaper quarters. You mustn't speak of these things, of course.—however, that goes without saying as the French say. Of course, we could go to Europe, but under the circumstances it doesn't seem wisest. We have money to live on, but we can't go gallivanting around in an expensive way—as formerly. I must settle down to work & restore things to the old condition; & one can work better at home than in Europe. . . ."

"The 'Echo' has come, now, & I shall show that to the Warners & others. To me it is perfectly beautiful; & so is it also to Miss Lizzy Foote. She draws & paints & is not wholly ignorant, but I am. Eve's head is fine, but the Echo is all fine—she is faultless in form, she is lovely, she is beautiful. . . ."

"It occurs to me, now, that you have never said very much about it, nor said anything about exhibiting it in the Salon. Why is this? Did you prefer the Eve to it? In my perplexity it has occurred to me that the Echo may be a copy of some masterpiece, & that you made it in the way of practice; & that this is the reason why you have not enlarged upon it in your letters. . . ."

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169. CLEMENS (SHERRARD—United States Congressman from Virginia).
A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Washington March 1, 1861." To "Hon J. Black,
Sec of State."
*"I recommend the revocation of the appointment of the Parkersburg
News, as the medium thro which, the laws of the U. S. shall be published
in Western Va. and the selection of the Wheeling Intelligencer Wheeling
Va."*
170. CLEVELAND (GROVER—22nd and 24th President of the United States).
A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Cleveland, Bissell & Sicard Counselors at Law,
Weed Block, cor. Main & Swan Sts. Buffalo Nov. 16th 1882" To
"M. D. Phillips Esq." With portrait.
*"If there is any published genealogy of the Cleveland family I have no
doubt it can be obtained by addressing Edmund James Cleveland."*
171. CLEVELAND (GROVER—22nd and 24th President of the United States).
A.N.S., 1p. 8vo, Aug. 26, 1895.
172. CLEVELAND (GROVER—22nd and 24th President of the United States).
A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Westland, Princeton, New Jersey. May 10,
1897." To "A. E. Nash, Managing Editor of The Forum, New York
City." With transcript, and portrait.
*"I do not see my way clear to meet your wishes in the matter of the
Reform dinner speech. I am not willing to be a party to presenting a
speech as a magazine article: . . . I had no idea when the publication
of the speech in the Forum was mentioned that it meant anything more
than its publication as a speech, though I wondered why a copy was
requested of something that was to appear in the newspapers the next
morning. . . ."*
173. CLEVELAND (GROVER—22nd and 24th President of the United States).
A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Gray Gables Buzzards Bay Massachusetts Aug.
28, 1899." To "M. D. Phillips, Esq." With portrait.
*"The last of quite a number of people whom I have heard of as having
tackled the Cleveland genealogy, is Edmund J. Cleveland of Hartford,
Conn."*
174. CLEVELAND (GROVER—22nd and 24th President of the United States).
A.L.S., 1pp. 8vo, "Westland, Princeton, New Jersey. Dec. 12, 1899."
To "John P. Street Esq." With portrait.
*"Has the Experiment Station with which you are connected found any
publication suggesting the best manner of treating farm soils in this
Vicinity? I have a little farm located about 3 miles N. W. of this place
which I think would stand considerable treatment: . . ."*
175. CLEVELAND (GROVER—22nd and 24th President of the United States).
A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Buzzards Bay Mass. July 24, 1903." To "Pres-
ident Francis." With transcript, and portrait.
*"When I was in St. Louis I saw considerable of Mr Theo L. Blair and
also something of his wife. They were both quite prominent in Exposition
matters."
"After my return to Princeton Mr. Blair sent me a book which I was
very glad to get. . . ."*

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176. CLIFFORD (NATHAN—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1858). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Newfield Nov. 15, 1833." To "Hon. Francis O. J. Smith, Portland, Me." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait. Mainly personal, but states that: ". . . *politicks has thrown me out of a profitable professional business.* . . ."
177. CLIFFORD (NATHAN—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1858). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Newfield July 16. 1837." To "Messrs Alden & Crosby." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait. Regarding the action "Tracy vs. Enfield."
178. CLINTON (DE WITT—Governor of New York). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Albany, 5 January 1826." To "The Honorable Stephen Van Renselaer In Congress Washington." With transcript, biographical notice, and portrait.
- "I send you under cover to my friend the Post Master General, a book presented to you by Alonzo Williams who has himself prepared the stereotyping plates & printed the book. . . . I have sent it on in this way,—its fellow accompanied it to my house for myself, and this will account for its being in my possession. . . ."*
179. CLINTON (GEORGE—Vice-President of the United States; Governor of New York; Member of Continental Congress). A.L.S., 1p. folio, "New York 11th. Jany 1762." To his brother, "Captain James Clinton." With transcript, and portrait. Margin of letter slightly torn.
- Relative to supplies, and mentions a dispute between his father and a Mr. Bartly.
180. CLINTON (GEORGE—Vice-President of the United States; Governor of New York; Member of the Continental Congress). A.L.S., 4pp. 4to, "Little Britain, 19th. Feby, 1864." To his brother, "Capt. Clinton." With transcript, and portrait.

AN EXCEPTIONALLY FINE LETTER.

"I had hopes of having the pleasure of returning Home from Esopus by your Quarters . . . but was disappointed by the Arrival of Col. Parks Capt. Van Ess with some other Young Gentlemen from Albany and New England with Miss Peggy Parks and Ladies from Claverack whom I could not be permitted to Leave. They Continued in a continued Scene of Mirth & Jollity in that Place 'till Saturday 2 oClock P. M. at which time they and I departed for our respective Homes. . . . I had the Pleasure of seeing two of the DeWitts there and should have been that Evening with them, had I known that I should have got no farther that Night than Mr. Ellings, where I was detained very agreeably, either by the strong Persuasions of the Parents or the exquisite Charms of the Daughter—but let the Reason of my Delay be imputed to either Cause, it had so powerful an Effect on poor me, as, to keep me there till Monday after Dinner . . . Mr. Bascome informs me (by Mr. Smith's Directions) that the Agreement formerly made by the Attornies is dissolved but that there is a new one made that keeps the Door to the Admission of the Practice of the Law as close as ever and that therefore he can do nothing for me— This is not the kind Treatment I reasonably expected from him, nor, does it correspond with his kind (if they were sincere) Professions— But I scorn to cast Reflections or to take such dirty Revenge therefore shall remain Contented in my Ambiguous State till my own Industry & kind Providence change it for the Better. . . ."

181. COLBY (STODDARD B.—Register of the United States Treasury). A.L.S., 3pp. 4to. "Montpelier Vt March. 23d 1857." To "Hon Lewis Cass Sec'y of State. Private." A political letter in which the writer states that an appointment was, "*a hasty, stealthy act.*"
182. COLERIDGE (SAMUEL TAYLOR—eminent English author). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to. "Grove, Highgate Thursday." To "Thomas Pringle, Esq." [March 20, 1828]. With transcript, and portrait.
Relative to Thomas Pringle's poem "Afar in the Desert." transcript of which accompanies the letter.
"It is some four or five months ago since G. Thompson's Travels &c in South Africa passing its book-club course thro' our house, my eye by accident lighting on some verses, I much against my wont was tempted to go on—and so I first became acquainted with your 'Afar in the Desert.' . . . I was taken so completely possession of, that for some days I did little else but read and recite your poem, now to this group and now to that. I since that time have either written or caused to be written, at least half a dozen copies. . . . The day before yesterday I sent a copy in my own hand to my Son, the Revd. S. Coleridge, or rather to his Bride at Helston, Cornwall. I then discovered that it had been re-printed in the Athenaeum—with the omission of about four or at the utmost six lines. I do not hesitate to declare it, among the two or three most perfect lyric Poems in our Language. Preceptandus est liber spiritus, says Petronius: and you have thoroughly fulfilled the prescript. . . ."
183. COLERIDGE (SAMUEL TAYLOR—eminent English author). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo. "4. Montague Place April. 26. 1835." To "Samuel Rogers, the banker-poet." With transcript, and portrait.
"Will you excuse the liberty I am taking in asking you to allow my brother, the bearer of this note, with Mrs. Eduard Coleridge, to see your beautiful pictures. He is extremely fond of the art, and was so desirous of seeing your collection that I could not refuse him this note."
184. COLFAX (SCHUYLER—Vice-President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to. "Thirty Ninth Congress, U. S. House of Representatives. Washington, D. C. Jan 3 1867 *Unofficial.*" To "Mr. Naxan." With biographical note, and portrait. Regarding the transmission of Governmental messages through the mails.
185. COLFAX (SCHUYLER—Vice-President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo. "South Bend, Inda. Dec. 16, 1883." To "J. H. Benton, Jr." With transcript, and portrait.
186. COLLAMER (JACOB—Judge of the Supreme Court of Vermont; Postmaster-General, and United States Senator). A.L.S., 1p. 4to. "Roy-alton Nov. 11, 1835." To "Hon. C. K. Williams." With biographical notice, and portrait.
Lengthy letter on legal matters.
187. COLLAMER (JACOB—Judge of the Supreme Court of Vermont; Postmaster-General and United States Senator). A.L.S., 1p. 4to. "Washington City May 12. 1849." To "Hon. John Crowell." With portrait. Regarding the appointment of Mr. Whittleroy as railroad agent, with mention of General Taylor.

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188. COLLAMER (JACOB—Judge of the Supreme Court of Vermont; Postmaster-General and United States Senator). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Woodstock Vt Aug 11." To "Hon. I. M. Clayton." With biographical note. On political matters, stating that the "Whigs in good spirit and ready for action."
189. COLLINS (PATRICK A.—Mayor of Boston, Massachusetts). L.S., 1p. 4to, "Mayor's Office, Boston, Mass. April 25, 1902." To "Colonel Josiah H. Benton." With portrait.
190. COLLINS (WILKIE—English novelist). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "12, Harley Street, W. April 4th, 1864." To "Mr. Benzon." With portrait. Sends apologies for not being able to accept an invitation.
191. COLLINS (WILKIE—English novelist). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "90, Gloucester Place, Portman Square, W. 10th February, 1879." To "Mr. Holsworth." With portrait.

"If I remember correctly, Mr. Edmunds Gates referred me to you, after we had settled the financial part of our arrangement for 'The Fallen Leaves.' By that arrangement, the first half of the purchase-money became payable on the completion of the first half of the story. . . ."

192. COOPER (JAMES FENIMORE—American novelist). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "St. Mark's Place, March 13th 1835." To "W. Branford Shubrick, Esquire U. S. Navy, Baltimore." With address, transcript, and portrait.

"I am obliged to you for the letter sent, and the list, which arrived safe. The fine 'powder weather' continues, so that we begin to think that they have shifted the season end for end, and are going to pay it out, anew.

"If the Drs. prescribe tonics for Mrs. S. in the course of the summer try Cooperstown. . . ."

"The navy appears to be again forgotten. The fact is, the country is so secure from accidental and natural causes, that nothing but accidental causes seem equal to waking up our wise men to the dangers of neglect.

"How do you like the N. Magazine? I do not mean J. F. C., for I have never been half satisfied with that article myself, but Stewart would have it, half written as it is. I am to give another blow, on the same subject, but am too much occupied to do it justice.

"What has become of The 'Congress'? I do not find her down on the list. Is it possible that they have broken her up, name and all! She never did anything as a ship, but I miss her name, as one would miss the pot-rock in Hell Gate, were it to be blown up. . . ."

193. COOPER (JAMES FENIMORE—American novelist). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Hall, Cooperstown, May 2d. 1839." To "Messrs Lee & Blanchard, Publishers, Philadelphia." With address, transcript, and portrait.

"I was so much occupied on quitting Philadelphia, as to forget to request you would send a copy of the History to Com. Chauncey, at Washington, in my name, and another to Mr. Robert Smith of Baltimore—charging both to me. . . ."

194. COOPER (JAMES FENIMORE—American novelist). A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo. "Hall, Cooperstown, Jan. 11th, 1850." To "Saidee." With transcript, and portrait.

AN EXCEPTIONALLY FINE LETTER of a personal nature, with mention of some of his relatives.

"Saidee, dear, Many thanks. Cider should never be drunk out of silver. An earthen mug for cider, pewter for beer, and silver for punch. . . .

"Jingle, jingle go the sleigh bells. Have you been to hear Mrs. Kemble; if not wait and go with me. . . .

"Saidee, dear, don't say 'city.' It is quite as bad as 'them.' In 'town,' out of 'town,' leave 'town' is the pretty word, and city is cockney. . . .

"Yes we'll go and hear Mrs. Kemble; you, and I, and Clara. If anybody else wishes to go, let them wait until she reads in High Dutch. I will drink your Bohca—I don't like High Dutch tea. . . .

"Saidee, dear, put that Turk in your Scraglio. I have another copy, and shall be proud to have you accept him. I offered it at 55, but no—it was not in High Dutch, and she would not have it. . . .

"Saidee, I am not only a scamp—I'm a cat. For eleven years have I staid at the Globe. I have a love for places, just like a cat. I have seen the Globe go down, down, derry down, until it has fallen into the hands of my own writer, yet I do not like to leave it. Cruger must soon leave his house, where I have been so much at home this many a year, and then I shall not have a visiting friend below Franklin Street. No, I am a cat—a cat and a scamp. Long after 55 is deserted I shall be seen hovering around its venerated bricks, looking for mice. . . .

"I am coming to town incog, intending to see no one for a fortnight. Then I shall go and see you. My first visit will be to you. After that we'll have a time! . . .

"Talking of size, I am so thin you wouldn't know me. No Fejee butcher would buy me. Even the tallow chandler would reject me. . . ."

195. COOPER (JAMES FENIMORE—American novelist). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo. To "Ch. Trigant." With transcript, and portrait.

"I shall leave the apartment on the 1st June, or most probably before. . . .

"As to your threat of appealing to the law, Sir, it is a matter for your own decision, and one in which I am perfectly indifferent. When called upon by something more substantial than threats it may be found that I know how to protect my own rights. . . ."

196. CORNWALLIS (CHARLES, LORD—surrendered to General Washington, at Yorktown). A.L.S., 4pp. 4to, "Camp near Bargalore, Sept. 9. 1791." To an unknown party. With transcript, and 2 portraits.

Relative to the campaign in India and the war against Tippoo Saib.

". . . It was certainly matter of much astonishment to me to hear that it was the opinion of any man that I had engaged wantonly and unjustly in the war against Tippoo; I not only thought it an act of justice, but of absolute necessity. . . .

"You will be glad to be assured that neither fatigue, nor broiling, nor business, nor recreation have hitherto impaired my health; and that through many difficulties, I think I see a reasonable prospect of being able to force the enemy to offer such terms, as we can with safety and honor accept, when we again march towards his Capital, if he should not be wise enough to do it before that period arrives. . . .

"Every thing has gone on much better in Bengal than I could reasonably have expected; Bebb I am sure does his utmost, and has great merit, but I must pass a few months there before I return to England, and that will necessarily detain me in India till the beginning of 1793; this is a cruel stroke at my time of life. . . ."

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197. CORWIN (THOMAS—Governor of Ohio; Secretary of the United States Treasury). A.L.S., 3pp. 4to, "Washington City Feby 26th, 1840." To "H. S. Legore, Esqr. Charleston, S. Carolina." Also, A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Lebanon, 20th May, '53." To "Jno. W. Allen." With transcripts, and portrait.

Relative to the election of William H. Harrison as President of the United States.

"... Shall our civilization think you, reach the Pacific before it is crushed or turned back by some folly or wickedness of the weak & wicked demagogues that swarm all over the land, I have dreamed that our arts & letters might yet break over the Rocky Mountains & taking their way across the Pacific wake up the people of Asia from their long sleep. . . . Now from all I know derived from newspapers & a correspondence extending thro almost every state, the end of the spoilers is come. I gather parts from men of cool calculating temper—such will tell you that N York & Pa are both sure for the opposition, Four of the N England States beyond a doubt & a fair choice for Maine, N Jersey Del & Maryland all considered safe for us,—You see what is going on in Va & N Carolina. Now for the West—there I am at home & now remember what I predict—Ohio Kty, Ida Ill & Tennessee will all give every one of their electoral votes for old Tipp. . . . Depend on it Harrison will be Prest & Congress I hope may be regenerated. . . ."

198. CORWIN (THOMAS—Governor of Ohio, United States Senator, and Secretary of the Treasury). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Columbus March 29th 1841." To "Genl S Worthington Logan Harping Co Ohio." With transcript, biographical note, and two portraits.

"... I entertain now & always have had the highest opinion of the integrity, & financial sagacity of Genl. McCrocker, but after what has taken place in the legislature I could not pass by Mr Kelly when a vacancy should permit me to call him into commission. . . ."

199. CORWIN (THOMAS—Governor of Ohio; Secretary of United States Treasury). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Washington City 17th March, 45." To "Scheick." With biographical sketch, and portrait.

"... I hear of strange doings . . . Scott stands 10 feet in his boots, McLean is much talked of, Webster gives dinners—These Gods will postle each other unless kept in order. . . ."

200. COWPER (WILLIAM—eminent English poet). A.L.S., 3pp. 4to, "Augst. 26, 1788." To "Wyton Underwood." A three-line note in the autograph of Cowper accompanies the letter. With transcript, and 2 portraits.

AN EXCEPTIONALLY FINE LETTER, WITH MENTION OF HIS WORKS.

"My dearest Coz! He who has thee for a friend will never want a warm one—I send thee verbatim and literatim what I have sent to the chancellor. His Letter is very kind and has given me much pleasure.—Give my love to the generous Sr. Archer whom I honour highly for his bounty, and assure thyself that I love thee dearly and in every corner of my heart.—Adieu—Thine W. C.

"My Lord,

"Your Lordship will be very sure that though Lady Hesketh did not chuse to apprise me of her intentions to write to you, she has not thought

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My dearest Cor! He who has thee for a friend will never
want a warmer one. — I send thee affection and elevation
what I have sent to the Claverall Cor. His letter is very kind
and has given me much pleasure. — Give my love to the
generous Mr. Archer whom I honour highly for his bounty,
and assure thyself that I love thee dearly and in every corner
of my heart. — Adieu — Thine W. C.

My Lord,

Your Lordship will be very sure that though
Lady Hesther did not chuse to apprize me of her
intentions to ^{write to you,} ~~address you~~ ^{and myself}, she has not
thought it necessary to observe the same secrecy with
respect to your Lordship's answer. The sight of your
Hand-writing (myself the subject) has awakened in
me feelings which with you I know will be my
sufficient apology for following her example. There
are such as would make it difficult for me to be
silent, were there any propriety in being so. But
I see none. Why should I seem indifferent where I
ought to be warm and am so, and what honour
would it do me to appear to have forgotten a friend
who still affectionately remembers me?

Had my Cousin consulted me before she made

Edy July 1. 1793

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Payable to Mr. Henry Martin

J. D. Esdaile — Signed Matt. Brackenbury.

Autograph of Cowper, given to the Lib. John Ayre,
July 6. 1824, by J. Johnson.

WILLIAM COWPER—ENGLISH POET

Autograph Letter, Signed. 1788

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it necessary to observe the same secrecy with respect to your Lordships answer. . . .

"Had my Cousin consulted me before she made application to your Lordship in my favour, I should probably, at the same time that I had both loved and honour'd her for her zeal to serve me, have discouraged that proceeding, not because I have no need of a friend, or because I have not the highest opinion of your constancy in that connexion but because I am sensible how difficult it must be even for you to assist a man in his fortunes who can do nothing but write verses. . . .

"I know that your Lordsp. would never have expressed even remotely a wish to serve me, had you not in reality felt one, and will therefore never lay my scantiness of income to your account. . . .

"I will take this opportunity to thank you for having honour'd my Homer with your Subscription. In that work I labour daily, and now draw near to a close of the Iliad, after having been, except an interruption of eight months occasioned by illness, three years employed in it. It seemed to me, after all Pope's doings that are still counted an English Homer, and may I but be happy enough to supply the defect and to merit your Lordships approbation, I shall envy no poet on the earth at present, nor in any that have gone before me. . . ."

[See Illustration]

201. CRANE (W. MURRAY—United States Senator from Massachusetts). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Dec. 9 1901." To "Mrs. Benton," accepting a dinner invitation. With transcript; A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Dalton Jan 6 1902." To "Mr J. H. Benton Jr.," a note of thanks. With transcript, and portrait.
202. CRAVEN (ELIZABETH, COUNTESS OF). A.L.S., 4pp. 4to, "Decr 9th. 1791." With transcript, portrait, and plate. Long and interesting personal letter, stating that she contemplates a visit to Berlin, etc.
203. CRAWFORD (WILLIAM H.—Secretary of the U. S. Treasury; Senator from Georgia). A.L.S., 4pp. 4to, "Treasury Department 3d. April, 1821." To "James H. Mc Culloch, Esqr., Collr., of Baltimore." With transcript, and portrait. Relative to the Marine hospital at Baltimore, and the discharge of incurables.
- " . . . That the marine hospital fund has been conducted in Baltimore upon principles different from those which have prevailed in other ports, and particularly in Boston, is inferred from the fact that in the latter port, with a tonnage double that of the former, the amount expended during the three first quarters of 1820 in Boston was only \$1835.32 whilst the expenditure at Baltimore amounts to \$17,690.14.*
- "It is difficult to conceive that the small tax of 20 cents a month paid by seamen, could be intended by Congress to entitle them to the benefit of the hospital for life. . . ."*
204. CRAWFORD (WILLIAM H.—Secretary of the United States Treasury, Senator from Georgia). A.L.S., 2pp. folio, "Montpellier, 19. Novr. 1823." To "Asbury Dickins, Esqr, Washington, D. C." With portrait. A personal and political letter, with mention of the "Adams ticket."

205. CROCKETT (DAVID—American pioneer, hunter and politician). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Washington City, 25 Decr., 1834." To "Charles Shultz, Esqr., Cincinnati, Ohio." With address, transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

VERY FINE AND RARE.

"... The time has come that men is expected to be transfarable and as negotiable as a promisory note of hand, in those days of Glory and—Jackson & reform & Co—little Vann sets in his chair and looks as Sly as a red fox and I have no doubt that he thinks Andrew Jackson has full power to transfer the people of these united States at his will and I am truly afread that a majority of the free Citizens of these united States will submit to it and Say amen Jackson done it it is right. If we judge by the past we can make no other Calculations

"I have almost given up the Ship as lost I have gone so far as to declare if he martin vanburen is elected that I will leave the united States for I never will live under his kingdom before I will submit to his Governmint I will go to the wildes of Texas I will Consider that governmint a Paradise to what this will be in fact at this time our Republican Governmint has dwindled almost into insignificancy our boasted land of liberty have almost Bowed to the Yoke of of Bondage our happy days of Republican principles are near at an end when a few is to transfer the many this is Vanburen principles there is more Slaves in New York and Pennsylvana then there is in Virginia and South Carolina and they are the meanest kind of Slaves they are Volunteer Slaves our Southern Slaves is of some use to the owner they will make Support for their masters and those others is of no other use than to make mischief. I must close with a hope of seeing better times. . . ."

[See Illustration]

206. CROWINSHIELD (BENJAMIN W.—United States Secretary of the Navy). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Salem, 27 Augt. 1823." To "Genl. H. A. Dearborn, Collector—port of Boston." With biographical note, and portrait. Regarding Capt. B. Townsend, a candidate for office.

207. CROWINSHIELD (RICHARD, JR.—would-be poet, condemned to death, Salem, Massachusetts, 1830). A.L.S., 3pp. folio, "Salem 22 May 1830," to "Dear Sister;" "Salem 15 May 1830," to "Dear Sarah;" "Salem June the 15 1830," to "Dear Father;" "Salem June the 15 1830," to "Dear Brother." Four letters. With transcripts.

These letters were written in prison in Salem, Massachusetts, the writer, Richard Crowinshield, Jr., who apparently endeavored to be a poet, being imprisoned on what he claims to have been a false charge, and condemned to death.

The first letter, to his sister, acknowledges receipt of a letter from her and of a rose sent previously, beginning with an eighteen-line poem, and continuing,—"*Sarah this is the way I banish my sluggish time; by promiscuously Patching together imperfect rhymes.* . . ."

The second letter, to "Sarah" on the reverse of same sheet, opens with a six-line verse on his Birthday, followed by gloomy reflections on his imprisonment and forth-coming trial.

The third letter, to his Father, written after his death-sentence, reads,—"*These are the last lines from your undutiful son; that has disregarded your chaste moral; precepts; that has always bountifully bestowed, on*

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the united States for I never will live under his
kingdom before I will submit to his government
I will go to the wilderness of Texas I will consider that
government a Paradise to what this will be in
fact at this time our Republican Government has
diminished almost into insignificance, our boasted
land of liberty have almost bowed to the yoke of
of Bondage our happy days of Republican principle
are near at an end when a few is to transfer
the many, this is Southern principles there is
more Slaves in New York and Pennsylvania than
there is in Virginia and South Carolina and
they are the meanest kind of Slaves they are -
Volunteer Slaves our Southern Slaves is of some
use to the owner they will make support
for their masters and those others is of no other
use than to make mischief. I must close with
a hope of seeing better times

I am with great respects your friend
& obt. servt

David Crockett
—J—

Charles Shultz

Has will you get a paper from your editor that
contains the proceedings of the day I spent in your
city last summer on my way home please to
get it and enclose it to me as soon as convenient
and oblige your friend H. C. -

DAVID CROCKETT—AMERICAN PIONEER

Autograph Letter, Signed. 1834

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the unfortunate being that will ere you receive this; cease to exist; my last request is that you will have my body decently bury'd; and have it protected from the dissecting knife; and may the blessing of God; rest upon you. Farewell. R. C. Jr."

Immediately following is a letter to his brother, written the same day, reading in part,—"*May God; and your innocence guide you safe through this Trial. . . .*" At the foot of the page is a sonnet addressed to those who had condemned him, as follows,—

*"To ————
Ungrateful wretches; why do ye crave
The life our heavenly make-gave
Why confine us in the gloomy cell;
Where nothing save grief and sorrow dwell's;
Detested friends; be banished hence;
Among your kindred go lost your sense.
Where imps of Hell, and devils roam,
Go and seek out your native home."*

208. CRUIKSHANK (GEORGE—celebrated English author and illustrator). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "B Amberwell Shule (?) Novr. 3/61." To "R. S. MacKenzie, Esq." With transcript, and portrait.

"I find I shall be compelled to adhere to my first resolution, not to allow the whole of my work to be copied—for I believe, for my own protection, I shall be forced to bring out at once a smaller and cheaper edition."

209. CUNNINGHAM (ALLAN—the biographer of Robert Burns). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "27 Lower Belgrave Place, 21 April 1825." To "Mrs Montagu." With transcript, and portrait.

"For these three months my evening leisure has been devoted to my collection of Scottish Songs—the labour of collating, amending and illustrating has held head and hand busy. . . . In refusing therefore your kind invitation I doing duty to my work, but I put sore restraint upon my own wishes. My heart cries "Go" while my old songs like the passing spirits to the great wizard cry Time was, time is and time will be no more. My wife like a dutiful lady will keep her poor husband company; though I see the spirit of disobedience playing in her eyes. . . . her journey would not be prosperous if undertaken without offering herself to the sight of one whom she loves with affection and reverence—said I one—I shall not defraud Mr. Montagu—there are two."

210. CURTIS (BENJAMIN R.—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1851). A.L.S., 3pp. 4to, "Northfield, March 7th" 1831). To "Mr. Ivers Austin, Care of J. T. Austin, Esqr, Boston, Ms." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait. Slight damage, affecting a word or two. A lengthy and interesting account of Northfield, Mass., and other New England towns, the laws governing them, etc.

Curtis was one of the Justices who dissented from the decision of the Court in the Dred Scott case.

211. CURTIS (BENJAMIN R.—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1851). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Boston Feb. 22. 61." To "C. H. Bell, Esq., Exeter, N. H." With transcript, and portrait. Regarding a conference.

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212. CURTIS (BENJAMIN R.—Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1851). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "No. 1, Pemberton Sqr. Decr. 29th, 73." To "Jas B. Robb, Esq." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

Encloses check for \$500 as retainer in the copyright case of Gillman vs. Woolworth et al.

213. CURTIS (BENJAMIN R.—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1851). A.L.S., 4pp. 12mo, To "Hon. Wm P. Fessenden." No place or date. With transcript, biographical note, and portrait. Regarding a pending bill for the increase of salaries of District Judges, and stating that: ". . . *A poor District Judge is a very costly person to the United States.* . . ."

214. CURTIS (GEORGE WILLIAM—American author). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "North Shore, Staten Island, N. Y. 10 January, 1869." To "Samuel Conkey, Esq. Elmira, N. Y." With transcript, biographical note, portrait, and addressed envelope. Regrets being unable to accept an invitation to Elmira.

215. CURTIS (GEORGE WILLIAM—American author). A.L.S., 1p. 12mo, "Ashfield, Mass. Sept. 3rd. 1871." To "Mess. J. R. Osgood & Co." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"I thank you sincerely for your kind offer in regard to Mr. Adams's pamphlet, but I cannot give you the trouble, and I have written directly to him."

216. CURTIS (GEORGE WILLIAM—American author). A.L.S., 1p. 16mo, "Ashfield, Mass. July 4th 1875." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

217. CRISHING (CALEB—Brigadier-General in the Mexican War; Attorney-General of the United States, and Minister to Spain). A.L.S., 3pp. 4to, "Newbury Port 28 Sept. 1839." With biographical notice, and portrait.

" . . . To every word you utter on the importance of the union of the British Provinces & the United States, I cry amen. It has long been my study by day & my dreams by night . . . Whoever in Congress hurls loudest on the superficial, secondary, & transient party topics of the town is understood by every body & applauded by his party at least; but whoever would devote himself to the furtherance of great weakness for the permanent welfare of the Country has little aid or sympathy from those about him. . . ."

"With time, however, I cannot but hope that the whole Country will regard this question as we do. Since the publication of Lord Durham's Report, I believe, the paltry Anglomaniac papers have no longer ventured to affirm that the Canadas are well governed & have no grievances. And however the tendency of the Provinces to a separation may be temporarily checked, I know well, from intimate relations I have with a great number of Canadians, that they are more & more determined every day, & only bide their time. And I trust we may live to see the stars & stripes floating over the citadel of Quebec."

218. CUSHING (THOMAS—Member of Council of Massachusetts, Lieutenant-Governor, and Member of Convention that ratified the Federal Constitution). A.L.S., 3pp. 4to, "Boston June 24, 1776." To "The Honble John Hancock Esq." With biographical notice, and portrait.

"I have received your several Favours of the 6th, 12 & 16 June & note their Contents, am obliged to you for the list of the names of the Captains appointed for the several Ships; I am glad to hear the Money is upon the Road for ye Troops & Ships—that for ye Ships is much wanted, & The Continental Troops had grown so uneasy for want of their pay that General Ward had applied to our General for ye loan of some Money, which we were about to furnish him with, as soon as it could be struck off, for you must know our Treasury has of late been drained so much to pay for Salt petre that it had got quite empty & we have been obliged to make an emission of One hundred Thousand pounds for a present supply. . . ."

"I have spoke to some of the leading Members of the House to move that some Money may be sent you—since my last we have taken Three more Transports with about 300 Men & the Council have sent them to Springfield Worcester Concord & Sandston, with liberty to ye Sheriff to distribute them among the Several Towns in ye respective Counties if they mention to go to. . . ."

219. CUSHING (WILLIAM—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1789). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Scituate, July 24th. 1800." With transcript, printed biographical note from "The Collector," February, 1913, and portrait. Regarding unpaid salary.

220. CUSHMAN (CHARLOTTE—American actress). A.L.S., 1p. full 4to, "Detroit, August 8th, 1851." To "Mr. Rice." With address, biographical note, and portrait.

" . . . Our passage on Monday was dreadfully disagreeable. Sick, oh, so miserably sick as never poor mortals were, with the exception of Miss Hays who was the only lady able to sit up during the passage. The landing was a work of danger. However, we got off about 10 ½ from New Buffalo & did not arrive here until Tuesday 2 o'clock P.M. You may imagine how tired we were. I have scarcely recovered yet. . . ."

221. CUSHMAN (CHARLOTTE—American actress). A.L.S., 1pp. 12mo, "Newport, Aug 24th, 1860." To "Mrs. Dow." With address, transcript, and portrait.

"Shame & confusion in my face, I come to you with an apology for my delay in answering your kind note . . . Since I arrived (5th July) I have been kept in such a whirl of visiting & nursing, that I have 'left undone those things' &c. After our arrival the heat was so great in New York, that we were compelled to seek country air. . . . We went to Croton Falls on the 21st July. . . . On the 8th [August] we came here for sea air, & have been staying at a quiet farmhouse about six miles away from the noise & whirl of fashionable life. Occasionally I have paid a few visits to friends in town here. On Wednesday 29th we leave for Springfield where we stay the night, the next day to Utica, the next to Niagara & so on around to Montreal. . . ."

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222. CUSHMAN (CHARLOTTE—American actress). A.L.S., (initials) 1p. 8vo, "Hyde Park. Sunday N. Y. Jan'y 8th/71." With transcript, biographical record, and portrait.
"How stupid of me not to send you my New York address—No 218 East 17th Street with my old friends the Chases, where I shall be only too delighted to see you on the morning of the 13"—as I may go to the Academy Meeting for United Italy on the 12", . . ."
223. CUSHMAN (CHARLOTTE—American actress). A.L.S., 3pp. 12mo, "Swampscot, Sep. 15th." To "Mr. Brown." With transcript, biographical record, and portrait.
"I am in receipt of a note from your house, informing me that Mr. Brown will be in Boston on Wednesday & Thursday at 3 p m—& will meet me either of those days at his house. . . . I could not come to town for either Wednesday or Thursday. Therefore if Mr Brown is not able to be in town on Saturday morning I shall run my chances of meeting him on Thursday morning 24" at 9 a. m. . . ."
224. DALLAS (GEORGE M.—Vice-President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to. To "David Mann, Esq. Auditor General, 29 - Oct - 1825." With transcript, and portrait.
" . . . Enclosed is the certificate of a deposit in the Bank of Pennsylvania to the credit of the Commonwealth, for \$70:34 on account of the money paid by Lodenycke Sharp, in full settlement:—
"Certificate already transmitted.....\$1336 :55
"Certificate now sent..... 70 :34
"\$1406 :89"
225. DALLAS (GEORGE M.—Vice-President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "10. Dec-45." To "H. M. Phillips Esq." With addressed envelope, transcript, newspaper clipping, and portrait. Regarding the writer's admission to the Philadelphia Club, and asking that it be withdrawn.
226. DALLAS (GEORGE MIFFLIN—Vice-President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "11 June 1852." To "Pres. Pierce." With transcript, and portrait.
" . . . I may be more sensitive than is at all necessary:—but my solicitude to be relieved from the gross imputation made by the Whig papers is extreme. . . ."
227. DANIEL (JOHN WARWICK—United States Senator from Virginia). A.L.S., 2pp. 12mo, "United States Senate, Washington, D. C. Decr. 30th, 1903." To "Col. J. W. Benton Jr." Letter of thanks for the "Shakespeare catalogue."
228. DANIEL (JOHN WARWICK—United States Senator from Virginia). A.L.S., 4pp. 4to, "Lynchburg Va Novr. 21st 1904." To "Col. J. H. Benton Jr." With biographical notice.
" . . . There is no greater admirer of Webster than I am, tho I don't believe all his dogmas;—nor as by that anybody else's. But he was a very great Man with a big heart, and his human foibles like those of Burns lauded the sympathies of a kind humanity. . . ."

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229. DANIEL (JOHN WARWICK—United States Senator from Virginia). A.L.S., 2pp. 12mo, "Washington, D. C. Mch. 7, 1909." To "Col. J. H. Benton." With transcript, biographical note, and addressed envelope.

"Your favor of March 5th is received and it will give me pleasure to try and be able to answer your question as to the Attorney's Oath specified by reference in the Virginia Statute of 1656. I never heard about it at all until I received your letter and am a thorough-bred ignoramus, but it will be a pleasure to try and get light on the subject. . . ."

- 230 DANIEL (PETER V.—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1841). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Richmond, Sept-10th, 1841." To "The Hon Henry St Geo Tucker, University of Virginia, Albemarle County." With transcript, and portrait. Asking if the Law Lectures have begun, expense of the course, etc.

231. D'AUBIGNE (J. H. MERLE—author of "History of the Reformation"). A.L.S., 3pp. 12mo, "London 17th May 1862." With portrait, and transcript.

"I have written to you about the publishing of my new work History of the Reformation in Europe, in Calvin's Times. I have met . . . an American gentleman, Th. Weed Esqr. who is inclined to do something for securing my right as an author in an honest edition of that work. . . ."

232. DAVENPORT (EDWARD L.—American actor). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Boston, Mass., July 25/77." To "Mr. Maxwell." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"Your favor in relation to the 'Boydell' came to me O K in spite of the 'Striker'. I did not feel that I could afford the \$125. As I did not directly want the work, I concluded not to telegraph you, so I presume the applicant for the volumes got them all right & I am rejoiced that my refusal was his gain. . . ."

"I am not in a hurry to settle my book for the coming season for I have every reason to believe I can get plenty of time when I want it.—Good actors are not over plenty. What with 'O. C.' My new play of 'Man More' sent by Clarke from London Lu Giles & Co Richelieu (you see I do not propose to abandon that even to you) I can make a good week. . . ."

233. DAVENPORT (EDWARD L.—American actor). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Guys Hotel, Baltimore, Nov. 8," [no year.] To "William Winter." With portrait.

"Your letter of Oct. 26th found me where I still am, (layed up in port) & under control of the Inflammatory rheumatism. Had I an enemy & wanted to be revenged hard on him, I say 'take that' & invest him with my malady. 3 weeks I have been shut up in my Room & bed. Yesterday I rode out & I hope by end of week to be in Phil. I was so sorry I could not be there to show your wife some little attention. Please say as much to her with my regards. My policy I cannot define until I can get on, see just how things are & then on to N Y & Organize. I think there is money in it (not much but a good living) if rightly worked. . . ."

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234. DAVIS (DAVID—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1862). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Bloomington, Ills. May 23, 1864." To "Mr. L. I. Cist, Chairman Autograph Com." With transcript, and portrait. Regarding photographs and autographs. The writer has given his record, and autographed it in seven places.

235. DAVIS (JEFFERSON—President of the Southern Confederacy). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "21th, June, 1848." To "Hon. R. I. Walker, 7 Buildings Washington." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"I have the pleasure to introduce to you my friend from Cuba of whom I spoke to you yesterday. He has important matter to communicate to you and I have invited to call at your house for a private audience."

236. DAVIS (JEFFERSON—President of the Southern Confederacy). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Washington, D. C. 15th May, 1853." To "Hon. I. R. Ingersoll, U. S. Envoy &c &c London." With 2 portraits. Endorsed by Ingersoll, on back.

"I have the pleasure to present my friend F. H. Quitman of Miss. He goes abroad to see the world and I will esteem it a personal favor for which I will be truly grateful if you will aid him in the execution of his purpose by such means as may be convenient and consistent with your wishes of propriety."

237. DAVIS (JEFFERSON—President of the Southern Confederacy). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "War Department, Washington, January 5, 1856." To "Hon. Timothy C. Day, House of Rept." Written while Secretary of War, and reading in part,—*"I have the honor to inform you in answer to your letter of the 3d instant, that there is no vacancy from your district at the Military Academy, Sotham Anderson of the 1st. district of Ohio . . . ;"* Also,—A.N.S., 1p. 12mo, "Washington, D. C. Jany. 29, 1858." To "Chas. H. Gordon," acknowledging receipt of letter. With portrait.

238. DAVIS (WARREN R.—Representative in Congress from South Carolina). A.L.S., 3pp. 4to, "Washington January 4th 1833." To "Preston." With transcript.

"For Heaven's sake send us on all the acts of our legislature, carrying into effect our ordinance of Nullification. They are all important, and the sooner the better! . . ."

"You have covered yourself with enduring honors (for every step we take is history) by your prompt course on the Proclamation. The honest friends of freedom will add to the rewards which conscience, the best of pay Masters, always bestows. . . ."

"In the mean time, I champ the bit, and long for an opportunity (of which, by the bye the Speaker has already once cheated me) to say, in the language of Marmion to Douglas, to each and 'all of our Slandcrers. 'Highland or lowland, etc. etc. etc. Lord Angus, thou hast lied! . . ."

239. DAY (WILLIAM R.—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1903). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "1301 Clifton Street, Washington, D. C. January 20, 1909." To "Mr. J. H. Benton, Jr., 120

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Ames Building, Washington, D. C.:" Also,—L.S., 1p. 1to, "1301 Clifton Street, Washington, D. C. Jan. 13, 1909." To "Hon. John D. Long, Tremont Bldg., Boston, Mass." Asking for name of the gentleman to whom he had sent autograph letter of President McKinley, as he could not read the signature on the acknowledgment; Also, on same sheet,—LONG (JOHN D.—Secretary of the Navy), A.N.S., "Boston, January 14, 1909." To "Mr. J. H. Benton, Jr." Note regarding Justice Day's inquiry. With transcript of first letter, and portrait. Regarding the McKinley Memorial at Canton, Ohio, etc.

240. DELANO (COLUMBUS—United States Congressman from Ohio, and Secretary of the Interior). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "C. Delano, Lakehome, Mt. Vernon, Ohio, Feby 21 1892." To "B. Perry, Woodbury." With portrait. On business matters.

241. DEPEW (CHAUNCEY M.). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Hotel Ponce de Leon Robert Murray, Mgr. St. Augustine, Fla. Feby. 7 1915." To "J. H. Benton, Esq Public Library, Boston, Mass." With transcript.

Relative to laws allowing Civil War soldiers to vote.

"... I was elected Secretary of State as a Republican in 1863. At that time the Governor headed the ticket one year and the Candidate for Secretary of state the next. Each term being for two years. My election was a renewal of the year before and carried with it a Republican Legislature. Soon after convening in 1864, the Legislature preferred laws to enable the soldiers to vote. . . ."

242. DE QUINCEY (THOMAS—British author). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Mavis Bush near Lasswade, Jan. 31, 1853." To "John Watkins, Esqr., 34 Parliament Street, London." With transcript, and portrait.

"... consider me as coming within the prescribed time for subscribing to the Wood Monument, although you may not receive my subscription until Thursday or Friday next (when I shall be in Edinburgh), . . ."

"... I wish to subscribe half a guinea: and shall be grieved indeed if anything should interfere with this purpose, and most of all anything attributable to my own besetting fault (or sin is it?) of procrastination. I knew Wood personally; and I honored and loved him more than I will here (being so furiously hurried) attempt to express."

243. DE QUINCEY (THOMAS—British author). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Thurs. Aug 6—7 P. M." To "Jas. Hogg, Esq." With addressed envelope, transcript of letter and portrait.

RARE, SIGNED IN FULL.

"It will give you pleasure to learn that your most friendly kindness was not in any the smallest degree defeated of its full effect by any procrastination in myself or in my agent, Miss St, did not, in antique phrase, suffer the grass to grow beneath her shoes, but after one minute's conference with myself went off to Mr Scott, whom she reached by 10 minutes before the clock (his clock) struck 2—so that eventually all was right. . . ."

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244. DEXTER (SAMUEL—Member of the Supreme Executive Council of the State of Massachusetts at the outbreak of the Revolution). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Treasury Department Washington April 28th 1801." To "Elias Boudinot Esquire Director of the Mint." With biographical notice, and portrait.

" . . . I have directed a warrant to issue in favour of the Treasurer of the Mint, for Seventeen thousand Dollars to be applied to the purpose of purchasing Copper. . . ."

245. DEXTER (SAMUEL, JR.—United States Senator from Massachusetts, Secretary of War, Secretary of the Treasury). D.S., 1p. royal 8vo, "Charlestown, Massachusetts, August 21, 1792." Appointing John Kean Esq., Cashier of the Bank of the United States, 'his true and lawful Attorney.' Signed by Samuel Cooper, William McCleary, and Sam. Cooper. With official seal; also, on reverse and blank leaf of document, an A.L.S., 2pp. royal 8vo, "Charlestown, August 22d 1792." To "John Kean Esquire," authorizing him relative to payments on shares owned by him in the Bank of the United States. With biographical sketch, and portrait.

246. DIBDIN (THOMAS F.—British bibliographer). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Feb. 11 (1825)." To "Mr. Pickering, Bookseller, Chancery Lane." With transcript, and portrait.

"I write to you expressly to beg the favour of your delaying to circulate the letters of Mr Poole of the Roxburghe (but for a few days only—for reasons, which will not less satisfy Mr. P. than yourself.)"

247. DICKENS (CHARLES—popular English author). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "1 Devonshire Terrace, Yorkshire, Regents Park Twenty Third April, 1844." To "James Thomson, Esquire." With portrait.

"I am greatly indebted to you for your kind attention and Mrs Dickens begs me to present her compliments and Thanks.

"In the execution of a peculiar fault for which I am distinguished in an eminent degree, I quite forgot when we spoke of these etc etc, that Mrs Dickens had invited some friends at home for the very day to which they refer. In the modesty of my merit, I should not have mentioned this circumstance but for her special desire that you should know why she is unable to avail herself of your kindness."

248. DICKENS (CHARLES—popular English author). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Boulogne, Tuesday, Twelfth August, 1856." To "Mr. H. Wills." With portrait. Signed with initials.

"I have gone over the No: and return it herewith.

"Collins's paper I have entitled (I repeat the title here, as it is not very plain upon the proof):

"To Think, or be Thought For?

"Mr. Speckles on Himself, is so weak, that it would be hardly possible to put King Leopold's Curiosity Shop (which is mere Ditch Water Make bright) in a work place. Can't you substitute some better paper for this curiosity shop? And Miss Macready's poem, the Angel of Love or whatever it's called is unmistakably better than the poem in the proof. . . ."

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Bonaparte Tuesday Dec 1st Aug 20. 1856
Dear Will.

H. W.

I have gone over the N^o and return it
enclosed.

Collins's paper I have entitled (I
repeat the title here as it is not very
plain upon the proof):

To Think, or be Thought for?

Mr Speckles on Himself, is so weak, that
it would be hardly possible, to put King
Lepold's Comisif Shop (which is mere
ditch water made bright) in a worse place.
Can't you substitute some better paper for
this Comisif Shop? And Miss Mancead's poem
on Angel of Love or whatever it's called, is
- uninteresting of better than the poem in the
proof.

(apropos of Miss Mancead, Mancead
particularly wishes her not be paid for her
first two poems)

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"Six years in a cell is extremely good. I shall be much interested in seeing the writer when I come home.

"Deeply contented, I don't adequately understand. The joke is too fine for me. Don't let it be.

"I think Townshend in King Leopold's place would be better and would warrant the requisite length, if, you have nothing of superior merit. . . ."

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249. DICKENS (CHARLES—British author). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Doughty Street. Thursday, November 14th." To "W. C. Macready, Esquire." With transcript, and portrait.

"Tom Landseer—that is, the deaf one whom everybody quite loves for his sweet nature under a most deplorable infirmity—Tom Landseer asked me if I would present to you from him the accompanying engraving which he has executed from a picture by his brother Edwin; submitting it to you as a little tribute from an unknown but ardent admirer of your genius which speaks to his heart although it does not find its way through his ears. I readily undertook the task, and send it herewith. . . ."

"Kate progresses splendidly, and with me sends her best remembrances to Mrs Macready and all your house."

250. DILLON (JOHN FORREST—Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Iowa, United States Circuit Judge). A.L.S., 1p. 12mo, "195 Broadway, New York, April 21, 1904." To "Mr. Benton." With biographical note, and portrait.

"Accept my thanks for your souvenir. It recalls you, your native Vermont and our long time friendship. It is indeed, sweet to be remembered by our friends . . ."

251. DIX (JOHN A.—Major-General, U. S. A.; Governor of New York). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "New York, 14th Sept. 1849." To "J. Howard March, Esq." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait. Introduces Judge Denio,—*"The Judge is one of our most distinguished citizens."*

252. DIXON (JAMES—State and United States Senator from Connecticut). A.L.S., 3pp. 12mo, "Washington Jan - 2. 1867." To "Maurice Wakeman, Esq." With biographical notice, and portrait.

" . . . You will permit me to say that while I acknowledge your right to comment with secrecy upon my action as a Connecticut Senator, I have occasion to complain of the language you use. It is evident I think that you know little of my 'political record for the past five or six years.' . . ."

253. DODGE (MARY ABIGAIL—American authoress). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Washington, D. C., June 6, 1859." To the Editor of the *Atlantic Monthly*. With transcript.

AN EXCEPTIONALLY FINE LETTER.

"It is now nearly a month since I sent you an article called 'The pursuit of knowledge under difficulties and what came of it'. I don't suppose a month seems a great while to you, but it is a millennium, or rather

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a purgatory to me. I have not enjoyed a minute's peace since that time—not because I was afraid of its being rejected, for as the people said to Noah after it began to rain, and they wanted to come in to the ark, and he would not let them 'Go to thunder with ye, old ark! 'Ta'in't going to be much of a shower.' So in case the remorseless lid of your black box should 'close o'er the grave of my loved' mortelle I should say 'Go to thunder with your old Monthly' . . .

"If you can do it up so that the brand of Phillips, Sampson & Co. or the Atlantic Monthly shall not be visible I should prefer to have you send it directly to me. . . .

"If you have not received it, or if you have sent it to me though I have not received it will you be so excessively humane as to notify me of the fact . . .

"If you do not, I hope your nightly recurring dreams will smother you in heaps of lost manuscripts, legions of the ghosts of poems and stories, wandering in eternal unrest for lack of Christian burial . . .

"I could say a great many worse things but I will wait till I can see whether you will restore me my lost child or not.

"If your lips ever open to any one concerning this thing may they meet the fate of the curious eye that dared to gaze on Queen Godiva!"

254. DODGE (MARY ABIGAIL—American authoress). A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo, "Hamilton, Mass. Oct. 11, 1886." To "Mr. Redpath." With transcript.

"I am sorry Mr. Rice has got home tell him. Now I have two men to fight instead of one. But his little Bayard-Phelps-Rice correspondence is a very pretty piece of fiction. . . .

"1=My Congregationalism is finished and you shall have it whenever you say. . . .

"2=Where are the slips—proofs—or whatever it is of my American Queen that you said you would sell me? . . .

"3=Here I have to come down from my high horse to my normal and familiar posture of begging. In view of the split in the American Board and the trial for heresy of the Andover Professors don't you think you ought to have an article or two on the heathen missions and the churches relations to them and such . . ."

255. DOE (CHARLES—Chief Justice of the State Supreme Court of New Hampshire). A.L.S., 1p. 12mo, "Salmon Falls, N.H. Mch. 20, 93." To "Bro Benton." With transcript, and portrait.

256. DONELSON (ANDREW JACKSON—Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to Prussia and later to Germany). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "April 1st 1800." To "Lucius I. Polk Esq. Mt. Pleasant near Columbia Mawn. Courts Tennessee." With portrait.

257. DORAN (JOHN—British writer). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "21 Royal Crescent, Notting Hill, 10 Feb /65." To "Mrs. Hale." With transcript, and portrait.

"First, accept my very sincere thanks for your, every way, pretty book 'Nelly Nowlan' . . . I wish I could serve you in the Ath. but such books always go to some other hand, and I should not be able to get it. . . . Let me congratulate you on Mr. Hale's success last night. The Lecture was excellent, well-delivered, and immensely enjoyed. Nothing could possibly have been better, for the audience was numerous and ecstatic. . . ."

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258. DOUGLAS (STEPHEN—American statesman; debated with Lincoln) N.S., 1p. 16mo, "Washington Jany. 16th 55." With biographical note, and portrait.
259. DOUGLAS (WILLIAM W.—Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Rhode Island). A.L.S., 1p. 12mo, "Providence, April 22, 1905." To "Mr. Benton." Relative to the death of his brother Samuel. With addressed envelope; Also,—A.L.S., 1p. 12mo, "Supreme Court of Rhode Island, Providence, Nov. 16, 1905." Relative to a dinner engagement.
260. DRAKE (SAMUEL GARDNER—author of Drake's History of Boston). A.L.S., 1p. 12mo, "13 Bromfield St. October 8th, 1858." To "Mr. M. P. Kennard." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait. Sending an autograph of Gov. John Winthrop.
261. DUDLEY (JOSEPH—Colonial Governor of Massachusetts). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Portsmouth, 2, July, 1703." To "The Honorable Mr Secretary Addington In Boston." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

RELATIVE TO INDIAN CONFERENCES.

"I have had by the favour of God a very prosperous and successful Interview with more Indians then at any time seen here together and a perfect good agreement the particulars too long to tell and I parted yesterday at sunsett for want of wind and Came from Casco bay all night in the pinace to this place to Dispatch how that I Might if possible meet you at Cambridge on Wednesday I have not slept three days tell the Lieutenant Governor . . ."

262. DUDLEY (JOSEPH—Colonial Governor of Massachusetts). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Roxbury May 29. 1710." With transcript, and biographical notice.

"This directs you upon receipt hercof to summon the members of her Majesty's Council to attend at the Council Chamber in Portsmouth, and then to communicate unto them the two inclosed orders of her majesty in Council directing the admission of Richard Walden Esq & Mark Hurlicks Esq to be members of her majesty's Council of the province of Newchampsire, wherein you will observe her majestys more particular command referring to Mr Walden. . . ."

263. DUMAS (ALEXANDRE—author of "The Three Musketeers"). A.N.S., 1p. 8vo. To "—— Kean." With transcript, and 2 portraits.

English translation of above,—

"I beg the manager to place as well as possible the two persons who will bring him this note."

264. DUMAS (ALEXANDRE—author of "The Three Musketeers"). Two A.L.'s S., 12mo, no place or date. With English transcript of one, and early portrait.

Partial translation of one,—

"If you will be so kind as to stop an instant to-day, Tuesday, at the Theatre Français, at about two o'clock, I shall be delighted to meet you there. . . ."

265. DUVALL (GABRIEL—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1811). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Marietta, July 13, 1829." To "Mr. Smith." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait. On money matters with mention of Richard Peters of Philadelphia.

266. DWIGHT (TIMOTHY—Educator; President of Yale College). A.L.S., 1p. folio, "Hartford, April 8th, 1814." To "Saml. W. Pomeroy, Esqr. Boston." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"I recd yours by Mr Schor, with \$100—enclosed. The balance, including the expenses of interest & stamps, will amount to a little over \$100 . . ."

267. EDGEWORTH (MARIA—British novelist). A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo, "1 North Audley Street, Grosvenor Sq., Janry. 9th, 1844." To "Mr. Vaughan." "recd and ansrd 17 Jan. 1844." With transcript, and portrait.

"It highly gratified me to hear as I do from our friend Mr. G. Ralston that you retain a favorable & kind recollection of me & mine I can never forget that happy and profitably happy day, to which you allude. . . . I am here with my younger married sister Mrs. Lestock Wilson with whom I promise myself the pleasure of staying till April—it would give me much pleasure to see Mr. Vaughan again were it possible—?"

"At all events I beg him to accept in writing this assurance of my grateful recollection both of him, and his Works of all kinds."

"I was already in possession of both the books of which you have been so generous my good Sir as to present to me this day. But they are made infinitely more valuable to me and to our family library by having your inscription in their first pages with this record of your esteem."

"The quotations from Dibdin's song"

*"There's a sweet little cherub sits perch'd up aloft
To keep watch for the life of poor Jack"*

is a well chosen motto for your Shipwreck narrative. It is much more likely to be popular than wd have been a grander stanza . . ."

268. EDMUNDS (GEORGE F.—United States Senator from Vermont). A.L.S., 1p. 12mo, "Burlington Oct 7. 1869." With transcript, and portrait. A partial list of the Governors of Vermont.

269. EDMUNDS (GEORGE F.—United States Senator from Vermont). L.S., 1p. 4to, "Aiken, South Carolina. December 28, 1904." To "S. W. Sheldon, Secretary Vermont Association, Boston, Mass." With biographical notice. Regarding the writer's portrait, who states that "I am still a Vermonter."

270. EDWARD VII (ALBERT EDWARD—King of England).—A.L.S., 3pp. 12mo, "Marlborough House. June 6th 1870." To "Colonel Poulett Somerset." With transcript, 2 portraits, and addressed envelope.

"I have only just heard of your sad & terrible bereavement so I do not lose an instant to offer you my most sincere & heartfelt condolence, having had the pleasure & advantage of knowing Mrs. Somerset . . . I can fully realize how terrible the blow must be to you. God grant that you may have the strength to bear the great calamity which He has thought fit to visit you with."

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271. EDWARDS (JONATHAN—Pastor of the church at Northampton, Massachusetts; Tutor at Yale College; Missionary to the Housatonnuck Indians; President of Princeton College). L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Schenectady, June 17th 1801." With portrait engraved by A. Reed.

A call for the meeting of the Presbytery at Schenectady, New York.

"Being regularly requested to call a special meeting of the Presbytery for the purpose of reviewing & inspecting a call for the Revd Robert Smith from the Presbyt Church in the City of Savannah & of disposing of sd call in such a manner as shall be deemed regular & expedient had if necessary & expedient to take measures for the re-establishment of the Gospel in the Congregation of Schenectady. . . ."

272. EGERTON (FRANCIS—third and last Duke of Bridgewater). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Durham 4th. Sept. ——" With portrait.

*"You have made a confusion in your account with me, & my Uncle.—
"The articles I have crossed in my bill are either charged twice over, or charged to me when they should have been charged only in the Durham account. . . ."*

273. ELDON (JOHN SCOTT, FIRST EARL OF—Lord Chancellor, Great Britain). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "March 3, 1822." With transcript, and portrait. Letter of apology.

274. ELIOT (CHARLES WILLIAM—President of Harvard University). A.L.S., 2pp. 12mo, "Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass. 24 Nov. 1873." To "J. Wingate Thornton, Esq." With transcript, and biographical note. Regarding "young Dunster" who was "coming to Cambridge."

275. ELIOT (CHARLES WILLIAM—President of Harvard University). 2 L.S., each 1p. 4to, "Harvard University, Cambridge, September 22, 1903." and "Asticon, Maine, September 16, 1903." To "J. H. Benton, Esq." With biographical note, and portrait. Together, 2 pieces. Regarding letters of G. U. Crocker, etc.

276. ELLENBOROUGH (EDWARD LAW—Lord Chief Justice of the King's bench). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "St. James's Sqre, June 22d, 1813." With transcript, and portrait.

"I shall be very happy to communicate with Mr Sugden on the Subject of the annuity bill, now depending in the house of Lords. . . . I have had some conversation with the Lord Chancellor & Lord Redesdale on the subject of the bill & to which I think they are in general favourable. . . ."

277. ELLSWORTH (OLIVER—Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1796). A.N.S., 1p. 8vo, "Windsor, Nov. 1st. 1782." To "John Lawrence, Esqr, Treasurer." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"Please to pay or discount to Mr Amos Gillet Collector for the Town of Windsor, of the 2d tar granted by the Assembly in May last Six pounds nine Shillings out of the sd Tar—it being for my Debuture Attending the Assembly in Octr last."

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278. ELLSWORTH (OLIVER—Chief Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1796). A.N.S., 1p. 8vo, "Philadelphia, April 3d, 1798." To "Cashier of the Bank of the United States." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.
279. ELLSNER (FANNY—Dancer). A.L.S., in German, 1p. 24mo, no date. Regretting inability to accept an invitation.
280. EMERSON (RALPH WALDO—American author and clergyman). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Concord, Mass. Jan. 29, 1855." To "H. G. O. Blake." With transcript, and 2 portraits.
"I cannot come on Friday, as, I believe, I am engaged at Philadelphia on that day, & the letter that decides the question will not arrive soon enough to let me keep you in doubt. . . ."
281. EVARTS (WILLIAM MAXWELL—United States Senator from New York; Attorney General of the United States, and Secretary of State). A.L.S., 2pp. 12mo, "Department of State, Washington, February 8th, 1881." To "Messrs. Charles L. Flint, H. P. Bowditch, Brooks Adams, and others." With biographical notice, and portrait. Regrets at not being able to be present at a dedication.
282. EVERETT (EDWARD—American orator and poet; Secretary of State under President Fillmore). A.L.S., 4pp. 4to, "Cambridge, 28 May, 1850." To "Bayard Taylor." With transcript, and portrait.
FIVE LETTER, written on the death of Wordsworth, and giving an account of his own interest in the writing of the poet.
" . . . when I heard of Wordsworth's death my first thought was of you. I knew well your veneration for him; his regard for you; the sympathy between you. . . . I saw him to the greatest advantage at your table,—heard his rich conversation,—equally full of wisdom & beauty,—and acquired the key to his poetry by personal knowledge of the man. I was not in early life a great reader of Wordsworth. I grew up as the reign of Scott (the poetical reign) was passing & that of Byron coming on. . . ."
283. EVERETT (EDWARD—American orator and poet; Secretary of State under President Fillmore). A.L.S., 1p. 12mo, "Boston, 5 June, 1856." To "Robert Carter, Esq." With biographical note, and portrait. On literary matters.
284. EVERETT (EDWARD—American poet and orator; Secretary of State under President Fillmore). A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo, "Boston, 18 Dec. 1857." With transcript, and portrait. Relative to proceeds to be given either to "The School of Design for Women," or the "Woman's Hospital."
285. EVERETT (EDWARD—American orator and poet; Secretary of State under President Fillmore). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Summer Street, 29 Sept. 1859." To "Sidney Bartlett Esq." With transcript, and portrait. Asks for the pleasure of Sir Henry Holland's company at dinner.

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286. EVERETT (EDWARD—American orator and poet; Secretary of State under President Fillmore). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Boston, 11 April, 1862." To "Professor V. Botta." With biographical note, transcript, and portrait. Lett^r of thanks for a copy of Botta's *Discourse on Count Cavour*.
287. EVERETT (EDWARD—American orator and poet; Secretary of State under President Fillmore). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Summer Street, 12 June, 1863." To "George Livermore, Esq." *Private*. With transcript, and portrait.
"I have yours of yesterday. I will with pleasure receive any body You wish me to, but Jeff. Davis or Fernando Wood, and, in fact I will receive them, when you wish me to do so. . . ." With mention of Dawson and the *Federalist*.
288. FAIRBANKS (CHARLES W.—Vice-President of the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Indianapolis, Ind. March 13, 1916." To "Mr. Josiah H. Benton President etc., Public Library, Boston, Mass." With transcript, and portrait.
"I am greatly indebted to you for a copy of your book, 'Voting in the field' . . .
"It seems impossible as we look back to the heroic days of the Civil War that political parties should have divided upon the question of allowing soldiers who were in the field struggling to preserve the republic to vote as freely as civilians who remained at home out of danger."
289. FARADAY (MICHAEL—eminent English chemist and natural philosopher). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "8 April, 1861." To "De la Rue." With portrait.

INTERESTING SCIENTIFIC LETTER.

"This circle is the aperture of the rays issuing from the Electric lamp. The discs of the Sun & moon in your photograph overlap it about the 1/6 of an inch all around. . . . but of course it is not an image of the whole eclipse & though the photograph is moveable, parts only are shown to me.

"I understand from Tyndall that your Microscope addition is not fitted to show objects more than from 2 to 2½ inches in diameter. He says that he will help us to try the lamp & at any time you may like."

290. FARMERS EX. BANK, GLOUCESTER, RHODE ISLAND. Bank Note for Five Dollars, "May 7, 1808," signed in the autographs of,—"John Harris, Prest.," and "W. Colwell, Cashr." Payable to "J. Lee."
291. FECHTER (CHARLES—eminent Shakespearian actor). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "London 20 - Oct - 1860." In French. With transcript (translation), and portrait.

English translation, in part, as follows,—

" . . . We have here at present an immense and legitimate success—something like *Madeline*,—a noyade of woman, most successful and immensely taking. The play is by the famous Boucicault and the theatre is packed every night. . . . I am convinced, the play will make upon Ritt in its English presentation the same impression which it has made upon me, Boucicault who was the first to dream of such gaiety, knowing only the *Ambigu of Desnoyer* . . . "

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292. FECHTER (CHARLES—eminent Shakespearian actor). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo. In French. No place or date. With transcript (translation), and portrait.

Partial translation as follows,—

"... *It was a sad occurrence that prevented me to bring it myself on the 1st of this month! I will tell you this sorrow some day and bother you otherwise with my troubles.* . . ."

293. FECHTER (CHARLES—eminent Shakespearian actor). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo. In French. To "Theophile Guignet," French actor and sculptor. With transcript (translation), and 2 portraits.

Makes reference to Arnal, French actor, 1794-1870. The following is a partial translation,—

"*I scarcely share your conviction in regard to displacing the pieces; your reasoning seems to me as well founded as if you were to say to me: 'Here is a role which is exactly suited to Melingue and I am going to have it played by Arnal, in order to make a more brilliant success;' that would seem to me hardly logical.* . . ."

294. FESSENDEN (WILLIAM PITT—United States Senator from Maine, and Secretary of the Treasury). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Portland, Nov. 26, 1838." To "H. Ketchum, Esqr." With biographical note, and two portraits.

"*Though somewhat late in the day, I cannot avoid offering you my congratulations upon the 'glorious result' of your elections. Nobly, indeed has the Empire State confirmed her redemption. Gallantly has she rescued & borne aloft that banner, which we had almost despaired of seeing raised again; Immortal honor to the patriotic whigs who have achieved a victory so brilliant.* . . . *To me, at a Distance it seems unaccountable that there should be found one sensible man in the Whig ranks opposed to continuing Mr Talmadge in his present position—Leaving policy out of the question, is there any one individual of your State who can render so much service to our cause, at this juncture, as he can.* . . ."

295. FIELD (STEPHEN J.—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1863). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "New York, May 22, 1840." To "William B. Sprague D. D." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait. Regarding autographs of the early Governors of Massachusetts, etc.

296. FIELD (STEPHEN J.—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1863). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "New York, June 15, 1840." To the "Rev. William B. Sprague." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait. Regarding Charles Anthon, the renowned classical scholar and his work.

297. FIELD (STEPHEN J.—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1863). L.S., 11pp. 8vo, "Washington, D. C., July 21", 1884." "Private." To "M. Munford, Esq." With transcript, biographical note and portrait.

FINE POLITICAL LETTER IN RELATION TO HIS NAME BEING PRESENTED TO

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THE CHICAGO CONVENTION, AS A CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

"... There would have been no use in presenting my name to the Convention so long as Mr. Cleveland retained his original strength, and certainly not whilst that strength was growing. It could only have been presented with any chance of success in case his strength was broken. . . .

"I am not disappointed at the result. The influences at work in behalf of Cleveland would have been potential in any event against us; and particularly was that so after the action of the Stockton Convention in California; for it seems to be the established rule of the Democracy that a candidate to make a successful canvass must have the cordial and earnest support of the delegation of his own State. . . . My decision in the test-oath case created many friends for me in the Southern States, and yet, at the time it was delivered it brought down upon me the fierce assaults of papers in California. . . . Had a convention in that State been then called, I might have received the same rebuff given me this year. . . . on one occasion the House of Representatives of Congress, directed its Judiciary Committee to enquire whether or not there were any ground for impeachment against me for some supposed statements I was represented to have made at a dinner party, against the validity of the re-construction acts. . . ."

298. FILLMORE (MILLARD—13th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Buffalo, May 26, 1854." To "Samuel Blake, Esq. Boston." With biographical note, and portrait.

"Your note of March 4th accompanied by a copy of your 'Constitutional Text Book' was received here during my absence on a southern tour. . . . I have barely had time to glance at its contents, but the design seems to me a happy one. . . ."

299. FILLMORE (MILLARD—13th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Buffalo, March 2d, 1857." To "Mrs. Harris." With franked envelope, addressed to "Lemuel Blake." With biographical note, and portrait.

"I have your friendly letter, and have concluded I will visit Albany this week or next as may be most agreeable to yourself and the Judge, or later if you prefer it. . . ."

300. FILLMORE (MILLARD—13th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Buffalo April 30th, 1860." To "Messrs. Thos. Gaffield & Joseph A. Allen, Committee." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"I deem myself especially honored by your note of the 26th inviting me to preside at the Unitarian Festival to be held at Boston on the 29th of May. . . . but I regret to say that my engagements are such that it is quite doubtful whether it will be in my power to attend the Festival. . . ."

301. FILLMORE (MILLARD—13th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Buffalo, Jan'y 2, 1861." To "Henry B. Dawson, Esq." Enclosing five dollars. With portrait.

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302. FOLGER (CHARLES J.—Secretary of the United States Treasury). A.L.S., 1p. 12mo, "Geneva May 3d 1861." To "His Excellency Governor Seymour." With biographical note, and portrait. On military matters, with mention of Capt. C. A. Richardson.

303. FORREST (EDWIN—American tragedian). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Philadelphia, August 18. /69." To "W. R. Alger, Esqr." With biographical note, and portrait.

"I was delighted to get your letter of 6th inst. and much pleased to hear that your late visit to Philadelphia had been made pleasant and happy. To one constituted like yourself, with such an active spirit of enjoyment it is no trouble to give content—you take the will for the deed—and in that wealth of soul you enjoy both. I shall always be happy to welcome you under my roof, both as guest and friend."

"With the qualifications you have for the end we aim at, I am sure it can be reached with satisfaction to all. . . . Would it not be well that you should read again with a fresh eye—Garrick's Life—Bowden's Life of John Kemble and Mrs. Siddons—Dr Doran's lives of the Actors and Colley Cibber's Apology—These might also contain hints upon which you might speak. . . ."

304. FORREST (EDWIN—American tragedian). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Macon, Geo., November 28. 1870." To "Mr. Alger;" [Also] Autograph signature and date-line at end of a verse of poetry. With biographical note, and portrait.

"I received your very kind and welcome letter of 21st inst. on Friday evening last, in Savannah, and should have answered it at once, but that my time was wholly absorbed by rehearsals of Hamlet—visits of old friends, and a hundred "so forths"—so that I am well near worn out, and had no moments leisure to scratch one poor line on paper. I was in the R R cars all Saturday night and in bed all day yesterday, Sunday."

"I hercin enclose you my check notwithstanding your inhibition for \$500 due the first proximo on the Biography, being the fifth instalment for I cannot on any consideration be a party to the annulment of any contract made by me in good faith and honour."

On a separate sheet is the following, signed by Forrest.—

"From Shelley's Ode to the Skylark

"Better than all measures

Of delightful sound,

Better than all treasures

That in books are found.

Thy skill to poet were, Thy scotter of the ground!"

305. FORSYTH (JOHN—United States Senator from Georgia, and Secretary of State). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Georgetown, March 19, 1829." To "R. H. Wilde." With biographical note, and portrait.

Political letter.

"The report of the Comer, on Dickson's petition will not be touched; at the next session it may be referred again to the Comer, with the additional documents that may be procured. W. Lane the Chairman of the Ways & Means is perfectly dispersed to do justice in the case & if tis to give & take one not good & you can satisfy him that, the one bad, your client will have the full benefit of it & your Labour. . . ." With mention of the election laws in New York and the tariff.

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306. FRANKLIN (BENJAMIN—Signer of the Declaration of Independence; celebrated American philosopher and printer). A.L.S., 1p. 4to. "Phila. Oct. 16, 1755." To "Mr. Jonathan Williams, Mercht. Boston." Address in Franklin's handwriting, and franked by him,—
"Free B. Franklin." Endorsed on back, in pencil,—Philadelphia, February 1846. Recd. from Samuel Bradford son of the late sheriff Bradford of Boston, and a grandson of Mr. John Williams, to whom this letter is addressed." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

VERY FINE AND EARLY LETTER, reads,—

"Dear Cousin

"I sent you last week by Capt. Dole 92 Reams of Demi Printing Paper, best, in two Cases, and 98 Reams of brown; which I hope will safe to hand, and to a good Market. The Printing Paper to be sold at 15/ and the Brown at 6/ this Currency, the lowest.

"My Love to your Wife and Children. I am

"Your loving Uncle

"B. Franklin."

[See Illustration]

307. FRANKLIN (WILLIAM BUEL—Major-General in the Civil War). A.L.S., 3pp. Svo, "Hartford, Conn. Jan. 11, 1896." To "Mr. George Alfred Townsend, Washington D. C." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"... I have not been in charge of Coll's Co since the Spring of 1888, and have no influence with it as to contributions. So far as the personnel of the 1st Corps is concerned, I fear that it will amount to little as a contributor to the fund for the erection of the Memorial. The only Genl. officer left is Gen W. F. Smith, the other Generals are dead, Newton being the last. . . ."

308. FREDERICK (DUKE OF YORK). A.L.S. Marked "Copy." 2pp. folio, "Horse Guards August 17th 1796." To "George III, King of England." With transcript, and portrait.

IMPORTANT LETTER regarding Ireland with mention of William Pitt.

"... I have likewise to report to Your Majesty that Mr. Pitt came to me this morning and in the name of Your Majesty's Ministers acquainted me that in consequence of some very pressing intelligence from the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, it was deemed absolutely necessary that a Reinforcement should be sent from hence to Ireland as soon as possible . . ."

309. FREEMAN (EDWARD A.—British historian). A.L.S., 4pp. Svo, "16 St. Giles', Oxford. May 26th, 1891." With transcript, and photograph portrait.

"There is something very strange about that article of mine which I wrote for the Forum—not at all of my own head, but because I was specially asked.

"I have been thinking, and I remember receiving a letter from Mr. Melcalf early in February. . . . It certainly said nothing about returning the Ms. nor was it returned. It has never come here . . ."

"If you wish, as you kindly suggest, that I should write something else, perhaps you will be good enough to suggest some subject or subjects . . ."

New-York

Phil^a Oct. 16. 1755

I sent you last Week off Eps. Dole
92 Reams of Dutch Printing Paper, best, in
two cases, and 98 Reams of Brown; which I
hope will come safe to hand, & to a good Mar-
ket. — The Printing Paper to be sold at 15s
and the Brown at 6s this Currency, the lowest.
My Love to your Wife & Children. I am

Your loving Uncle
B. Franklin

Benjamin Franklin
Benjamin Franklin
Benjamin Franklin

Wm. L. Williams

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN—SIGNER OF THE
DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

Autograph Letter, Signed. 1755

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310. FROTHINGHAM (RICHARD—American historian and editor). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Charlestown, Jany. 20, 1811." To "Hon. George S. Boutwell." With transcript, and portrait. Relative to Edward Pratt and and application for his pardon.

311. FROUDE (JAMES ANTHONY—eminent English historian). A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo, "Brevoort House, Monday, Oct. 21." To "Mrs. Botta." With 2 portraits.

"You are so good to me that I feel I may throw Gornly safely on your compassion. What could give me greater pleasure than to be present at such a union as you propose? To see wise people, is the greatest delight that I can have . . . On Saturday I fly—I shall return in December if the fates and the advice of my good friend permits, to lecture again at Brooklyn."

312. FULLER (MELVILLE W.—Chief Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1888). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Chicago, Mar. 30, 1878." To "Hon. B. F. Butler, U.S.H.R., Washington, D. C." With transcript, and portrait; Also, Remarks of Chief Justice Fuller, February 4, 1901, in commemoration of the accession of John Marshall. 4pp. 8vo, no place, 1901. With autograph signature,—*"With regards of Melville W. Fuller,"* on title.

"In reference to No. 288, I will say further—Some time ago perceiving from the call that the case might soon be reached I wrote Mr. J. R. M. Squire to inquire what was being done about it. . . . if the present decree cannot be otherwise changed to Ricker's benefit. . . . The decree provides that if within one hundred days, payment is not made, the various parcels shall be sold by the Master 'in accordance with the course & practice of this Court. This decree cuts off redemption—The State Statute provides specifically for redemption but the 'course & practice' of the U. S. Ct. has been to sell and give absolute conveyance. I do not believe the U. S. Courts in this Circuit can thus upset a State Statute & abrogate a rule of property. The difficulty I have upon this record, is whether the point is fairly presented. If it is, it is fatal.

"Upon the merits I can see that Mr. Peace is afraid of his case as against Ricker. . . ."

313. FULLER (MELVILLE W.—Chief Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1888). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Chicago, Feb. 18, 1779." To "O. D. Garrett, Esq., Washington, D. C." With transcript, and portrait.

" . . . I will try & get at the tax matters inquired of in the last letter and estimates of the actual value & forward as requested. . . ."

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314. GALLATIN (ALBERT—American statesman and financier). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to. "Treasury Department, May 21st, 1810." To "His Excellency David Holmes, Gov. of the Mississippi Trsy., Washington, M. T." With biographical note, and portrait.

"Mr. Th: Hill Williams having neglected to notify whether he intends to remain as Collector at New Orleans, or to resume the duties of his offices in the Mississippi territory, I enclose under your cover the instructions for the census. Will you be pleased to write to him in order to know his determination? If he means to act as Secretary, he must immediately appoint assistants & give them instructions. If he intends to accept the Orleans collectorship, it is probable that the new Secretary will not be qualified in time to fulfill the duties relative to the census. In that case, those duties devolve by the act on the Governor; and no time should be lost in carrying its provisions into effect. . . ."

315. GALLATIN (ALBERT—American statesman and financier). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo. "57 Bleeker Str., 19 May, 1841." To "C. Stebbins, Esqre, Mechanics Bank." With address, biographical note, and portrait.

"Could you oblige me with a list of the Banks, under the safety fund Bank law which have failed or been dissolved since 1st Jan. 1830. The names will be sufficient as your annual Statements show the amount of Capital. . . ."

316. GALLINGER (JACOB H.—United States Senator from New Hampshire). A.L.S., 1p. 4to. "United States Senate, Washington, D. C., March 22, 1899." To "Hon. Josiah H. Benton, Jr. Boston, Mass." With transcript. Recommendation that Frank P. Hill be appointed librarian; Also,—3pp. A.L.S. of Frank P. Hill in which he states that if W. C. Lane ". . . is inclined to accept such a desirable post I should not wish to have my name even considered." Together, 2 pieces.

317. GALSWORTHY (JOHN M.—contemporary English novelist and playwright). A.L.S., 1p. 4to. "Wingstone, Manatan, Devon, Nov. 23." To "Dear Madam." With transcript, and portrait.

"Thank you for your letter. I especially like the lines:

'For memory lays its rings as does the tree,

While Hope springs flame-like in the hearts of men.'

"With much appreciation for your kindness in writing."

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- 317A. GARFIELD (JAMES A.—20th President of the United States). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, Washington. Nov. 28, 1862. "To J. C. Buttre." With transcript, and portrait.

"Your note and the accompanying retouched engraving are received—I think the picture is improved and is now very good. I hope you will immediately despatch the picture by express to Mrs. Garfield as directed. Please put a few copies of the engraving in the package. . . ."

318. GARFIELD (JAMES A.—20th President of the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., March 14, 1880." To "Mr. Geo. Alfred Townsend # 242 W. 23d st New York, N. Y." With transcript, biography, and portrait.

" . . . Accept my thanks for the little volume you were kind enough to send me. On my first leisure I shall read it with great pleasure, as I have read all your books thus far published. . . ."

319. GARFIELD (JAMES A.—20th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Mentor, Ohio, July 29/80." To "Hon. Wirt Sikes, Cardiff, Wales." With portrait, and a short biography of Garfield.

Note of thanks for receipt of the author's book—"English Goblins."

320. GARRISON (WILLIAM LLOYD—celebrated American journalist and abolitionist). A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo, "Roxbury, Dec. 14, 1867." To "Jacob Horton, Esq." With transcript, and portrait.

A long letter of condolence on the death of Mrs. Horton.

321. GEORGE III. KING OF ENGLAND. A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Weymouth Augt. 19th, 1796." To "Frederick, Duke of York." With transcript, and portrait.

"My Dear Frederick,

"I approve of the 6th Regt of Dragoon Guards and the 12th Light Dragoons returning to Ireland as also the Loyal Tay Fencible Cavalry; the foreign Corps of Loewenstein Hompesch and Wulffstein now in the Isle of Wight may be sent to Cork till they can proceed to the West Indies. . . ."

322. GERRY (ELBRIDGE—Vice-President of the United States). A.L.S., 4pp. 4to, "Washington 7th April, 1814, Senate Chamber." To "The Honble. Mr. Plumer." With transcript, and portrait.

" . . . My doubts, in regard to the success of our negotiation for peace, are increased by the prospect of a removal of the restrictions on our commerce, & perhaps exceed those of the Supreme Executive; . . . Had the embargo been laid according to the wise recommendation of the President, during the last session the enemy would have been distressed beyond the most sanguine expectations. But he took alarm from the President's proposition, & profited by the defeat; so as to lay up vast magazines of provisions exported from our ports, & to secure a supply for both the army & navy untill arrangements could be made by the British Government for supplying both from Europe. The object of the embargo having been thus defeated, & a great change having entirely destroyed the continental commercial system of Europe or rather of Napoleon, both circumstances have operated to produce the recommendation of the Executive . . ."

323. GIBBON (EDWARD—British historian). A.N.S., 1p. 24mo, "le 2 Decembre, 1784." To "Mr. d'Eyverdun." With portrait.

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324. GILBERT (MRS. G. H.—American actress). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Philadelphia." To "Charles S. Green." With transcript, and portrait.
"My first appearance with Mr Daly was I think the 12th of August 1869."
325. GIRARD (STEPHIEN—American philanthropist). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Philadelphia, 13th October, 1893." To "Geo. Simpson Esq." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.
"... Within this few days I have wrote two letters to Mr Albert Gallatin in my last which went pr post yesterday morning I point out to him the mode which I propose to secure the U States untill it is in my power to reimburse them. I will call tomorrow morning at the Bank of the U. S. for the purpose of communicating you the contents of my letter to that Gentleman."
326. GLADSTONE (WILLIAM EWART—British Prime-Minister). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Fasque Fetterecurn, Thursd. Oct. 24, '44." To "The Landlord of the Royal Hotel, Princes Street, Edinburgh." With address.
"Intending to pass tomorrow night in Edinburgh with my family on my way southwards, I request you to have the goodness to prepare for our accommodation two double bedded rooms, one of the beds in each, or at least in one, to be large, and fires in each of these two rooms . . ."
327. GLADSTONE (WILLIAM E.—British Prime-Minister). A.L.S., 8pp. 8vo, "13 Carlton St. Terrace, Aug. 6, 1845." To "Rev. B. Harrison" (Archdeacon of Maidstone). With transcript, and portrait.
"I thank you exceedingly for your kindness in putting me in such early possession of your recently published volume. I soon found it was a book not to be spoken of at random. . . . Standing in that category it may well be doubted how far it is warrantable for me to make any comment upon it . . . It is in the first place most refreshing to find oneself embarked in a real historical inquiry conducted ably & by an honest mind, instead of seeing a few small & superficial notices worked up by the force of the most violent prepossessions into a theory of some kind. You make yourself really minister et intrepres instead of twisting facts into shapes chosen at will. . . ."
328. GLADSTONE (WILLIAM EWART—British Prime-Minister). A.L.S., 1p. 12mo, "O C. G., Mch 4, '52." To "W. F. Larkins, Esq." With portrait.
"I am heartily glad to hear of your new and deserved success, and I cannot—although in haste refrain from writing you a line to say so. . . ."
329. GLADSTONE (WILLIAM E.—British Prime-Minister). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Windsor, Jan. 14, '53." To "Rev. I. W. Warter." With transcript, and portrait.
"... That which pains me chiefly in connection with the extraordinary proceedings at Oxford is the serious loss and disparagement which the whole university suffers in her dignity through the conduct of a minority of her members. . . ."
330. GLADSTONE (WILLIAM E.—British Prime-Minister). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "11 Carlton-House Terrace, S. W. Aug. 14, '71." To "R. R. Wingfield Baker, M. P." With transcript, and portrait.
"... it is my intention when the Debate on the Lord's Amendments to the Army Bill is resumed, to offer a form of argument which is in effect founded on the ideas so well expressed in your form of question. . . ."

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331. GLADSTONE (WILLIAM EWART—British Prime-Minister). A.L.S., 3pp. Svo. "The Glen. Innerleithen, N.B., Nov. 4 '90." To "F. Lawley." With portrait.

"You must I fear have thought your letter of Sept 24 had been neglected, but my son Henry was away and communication with A. Morley was also necessary. I have just heard from him. I do not know whether we shall & I hardly know whether we ought to persuade Harry to come into Parliament, at any rate for some time, petitioners, most of all Tory petitioners, do not like it & many have cause. . . ."

332. GODDARD (CALVIN—Representative in Congress from Connecticut, and Mayor of Norwich, Connecticut). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Norwich July 2d, 1832." To "Samuel J. Hitchcock Esq New Haven." With transcript. Relative to the suit of Lewis & Cone.

333. GORDON (GENERAL CHARLES G.—"Chinese Gordon"). A.L.S., 3pp. Svo, in French. "Turino, 30 January, 1876." To "Monsieur Birio." With English transcript, and portrait. Accompanying the above is a printed broadside poem,—*"In Memoriam. Gordon,"* by "an officer's daughter," February 4th, 1885.

FINE LETTER RELATIVE TO GORDON'S MISSION IN THE BALKANS. Refers to his prospects in connection with a Commission with the Servians, Roumanians and Turks, regarding which he states that the only obstacle is the Turk. Refers also to the difficulty of communication between Khartoum and Gondokons.

334. GORDON (GEORGE H.—Brigadier-Major-General in the Civil War). A.L.S., 6pp. folio, "Washington, D. C., July 2d. 1866." To "Andrew Johnson, President of the United States." With transcript.

Letter applying for the office of Marshall of the District of Massachusetts, reviewing at length his services during the Civil War.

335. GOULD (JAY—celebrated American Railroad financier). A.L.S., 2pp. Svo, "Lindhurst, Irvington on the Hudson, June 19, 1887." To "Franklin A. Wheelan, Esq." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait. Relative to his collection of tropical plants.

336. GRANT (ULYSSES S.—18th President of the United States). A.L.S., 4pp. Svo, "St. Louis, Oct. 24th 1859." To his Brother. With transcript, biographical note, clipping, and portrait.

"I have been postponing writing to you hoping to make a return for your horse, but as yet I have received nothing for him. About two weeks ago a man spoke to me for him and said that he would try him the next day and if he suited give me \$100 for him. I have not seen the man since but one week ago last Saturday he went to the stable and got the horse saddle and bridle since which I have seen neither man nor horse. From this I presume he must like him. . . ."

" . . . I am still unemployed but expect to have a place in the Custom House from the 1st of next month. My name has been forwarded for the appointment of Superintendent . . ."

"P. S. The man that has your horse is Capt. Corington owner of a row of six three story brick houses in this city . . ."

Springfield April 29th 1861

Dear Sister:

I came to this place several days ago fully expecting to find a letter here from our dear father. As yet I have rec^d none. It was my intention to have returned to Galena last evening but the Governor detained, and I presume will want me to remain with him, until all the troops now called into service, or to be so called, are fully mustered in and completely organized. The enthusiasm through this State surpasses anything that could have been imagined three weeks ago. Only six Regiments are called for here while at least thirty could be promptly raised. The Governor, and all others in authority, are harrowed from morning until night with Patriotic men, and such political influence as they can bring, to obtain first promise of acceptance of their Companies if there should be another call for troops. The eagerness to enter Companies that were accepted by the Governor was so great that it has been impossible for Commanders of Companies to keep their numbers within the limits of the law consequently Companies that have arrived here since all had from ten to sixty, some more

CLYDESSE S. GRANT—PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

Autograph Letter, Signed. 1861

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337. GRANT (ULYSSES S.—18th President of the United States). A.L.S., 3pp. 4to, "Springfield, April 29th, 1861." To his Sister. Signed "Brother Ulysses." With transcript, biography, and portrait.

FINE LETTER RELATIVE TO THE MUSTERING IN OF TROOPS IN ILLINOIS.

"... The enthusiasm through this state surpasses anything that could have been imagined three weeks ago. Only six Regiments are called for here while at least thirty could be promptly raised. The Governor, and all others in authority, are harassed from morning until night with Patriotic men. . . . The eagerness to enter Companies that were accepted by the Governor was so great that it has been impossible for Commanders of Companies to keep their numbers within the limits of the law, consequently companies that have arrived here have all had from ten to sixty men more than can be accepted. I am convinced that if the South knew the entire unanimity of the North for the Union and maintenance of Law, and how freely men and money are offered to the cause, they would lay down their arms at once in humble submission. There is no disposition to compromise now. The conduct of Eastern Virginia has been so abominable through the whole contest that there would be a great deal of disappointment here if matters should be settled before she is thoroughly punished. This is my feeling and I believe it universal. Great allowance should be made for South Carolinians for the last generation have been educated, from their infancy, to look upon their government as oppressive and tyrannical and only to be endured 'till such time as they might have sufficient strength to strike it down. Virginia, and other border states have no such excuse and are therefore Traitors at heart as well as in act. . . ."

[See Illustration]

338. GRANT (ULYSSES S.—18th President of the United States). A.L.S., 4pp. 4to, "Corinth, Mississippi, August 3d 1862." To his Father. With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

FINE LETTER, refers to his stand in the army, his views on the slavery question, etc.

"You must not expect me to write in my own defence nor to permit it from any one about me. I know that the feeling of the troops under my command is favorable to me and so long as I continue to do my duty faithfully it will remain so. Your uneasiness about the influence surrounding the children here is unnecessary. . . . I expect Gen Hitchcock to command the Department of the West. Have no fears of Gen. Pope or any one junior to me being sent.

"I do not expect, nor want, the support of the Cincinnati press on my side. Their course has been so remarkable from the beginning that should I be endorsed by them I should fear that the public would mistrust my patriotism. I am sure that I have but one desire in this war and that is to put down the rebellion. I have no hobby of my own with regard to the negro, either to effect his freedom or to continue his bondage. If Congress pass any law, and the President approves, I am willing to execute it. . . . I do not want to command a Department because I believe I can do better service in the field. . . ."

[See Illustration]

339. GRANT (ULYSSES S.—18th President of the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Head Quarters Dept. of the Ten. Memphis Tenn. Jan. 22d 1863." To "Lt. Col. C. A. Reynolds, Chief Q. M." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait. Reads in part as follows,—

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Corinth, Mississippi
August 3^d 1862

Dear Father,

Your letter of the 25th of July is just received. I do not remember of receiving the letters however of which you speak. One came from Mary speaking of the secessionist Holt who was said to be employed in the Memphis post-office. I at once wrote to Gen. Sherman who is in command there about it and he is no doubt turned out before this.

You must not expect me to write in my own defence nor to permit it from any one about me. I know that the feeling of the troops under my command is favorable to me and so long as I continue to do my duty faithfully it will remain so.

ULYSSES S. GRANT—PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

Autograph Letter, Signed. 1862

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"I would suggest the propriety of releasing three steamers to form a regular daily Mail liner between this and Cairo. . . . and carry the United States Mails, and any Government freight or troops offering, to the exclusion of every thing else. . . ."

340. GRANT (ULYSSES S.—18th President of the United States). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Feby. 15th 1863." To "Admiral D. D. Porter, Comdg. Miss. Squadron." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"Representations coming into me as they have reflecting on Gen. Gorman's administration of affairs at Helena I sent an officer there last week to supersede him in the command. Also a new Quartermaster and provost Marshal. . . ."

"Trade has not been opened below Helena by Military authority not even to purchase and ship cotton. I have thought of doing so as low down as Napoleon but have been waiting to see if the Govt would not adopt suggestions made by myself and numbers of others; that is for Gt. to take all the cotton and sell it in the loyal states. . . ."

"No Military commander has a right to divert or order a Naval vessel on any duty much less to give aid in private speculations."

341. GRANT (ULYSSES S.—18th President of the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Head Quarters, Dept. of the In. Millikin's Bend, La. Apl. 9th/63." To "Maj. Gen. S. A. Hurlbut, Comdg 16th Army Corps. Ga." With portrait, and biographical note of Grant. Two small tears necessitated the insertion of a few letters.

HIGHLY IMPORTANT WAR LETTER.

"Suppress the entire press of Memphis for giving aid and comfort to the enemy by publishing in their columns every move made here by troops and every work commenced. Arrest the Editor of the Bulletin and send him here a prisoner, under guard, for his publication of present plans via New Carthage & Grand Gulf."

"I am satisfied that much has found its way into the public press through that incorrigably gassy man Col. Bissell of the Eng. Regt. . . . I feel a strong inclination to arrest him and trust to find evidence against him afterwards."

342. GRANT (ULYSSES S.—18th President of the United States). A.L.S., 5pp. 8vo, "City Point, July 14th /64." To "Maj. Gen. Mead." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

AN EXCEPTIONALLY FINE WAR LETTER.

"If Sheridan succeeds in getting to Weldon, or near there, I did not suppose he would be able to get to the Danville road. If he could however, and could follow the road up to Danville and south of it making the destruction of both roads sufficient to last for a month or two it would be a good thing. . . ."

"I see from Atlanta papers that they look upon the loss of that place as probable but congratulate themselves that Sherman could not stay a month if he had it. Intimation seems strong that Johnston will fall back to Macon . . . and detach largely to join Lee's Army to drive us back . . ."

"I think Sheridan should simply be informed fully of the importance of complete and extended destruction of the enemy's roads and be left to execute it in his own way and with discretion to return in his own time with authority even to go into New Bern if he deems safety requiring it. . . ."

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343. GRANT (ULYSSES S.—18th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Head Quarters Armies of the United States, City Point, Oct. 13th 1864." To "Hon. E. M. Stanton, Sec. of War, Washington." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

FINE WAR LETTER. The original of the "ciphered" message relative to Sherman's march on Atlanta, with mention of Hood's army.

"On mature reflection I believe Sherman's proposition is the best that can be adopted. With the long line of railroad in rear of Atlanta Sherman cannot maintain his position. If he cuts loose destroying the road from Chattanooga forward he leaves a wide and destitute country for the rebels to pass over before reaching territory now held by us. . . . Such an Army as Sherman has, (and with such a Commander) is hard to corner or capture."

344. GRANT (ULYSSES S.—18th President of the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Washington D. C. Nov. 23d 1864." To "Maj. Gen. G. H. Thomas Comdr Army of the Com." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait. With front part of addressed envelope.

"The bearer of this, Mr. Gier is a Union citizen of Ala. to whom I have furnished a pass to come and go at pleasure over our roads and rivers within your commands. . . . I would be pleased if you would extend to him a pass to travel back and forth in our Army Gunboats plying below Bridgeport . . ."

345. GRANT (ULYSSES S.—18th President of the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Head-Quarters Armies of the United States, City Point, Va. Dec. 13th 1864." To "Maj. Gen. C. C. Washburn, Comdy. Dist. of Vicksburg." With addressed envelope, biographical note, and portrait.

"The bearer of this, Judge Lewis Dent, a Brother-in-law of mine, has been a Government Tarer of Plantations in La. between Vicksburg and Lake Providence for the last two years. . . . He has several times been raided upon and lost most or all of his stock each time. . . . What the regulations are now in this matter I do not know but hope the same favors will be extended to Judge Dent as are extended to other loyal Citizens engaged in planting. . . ."

346. GRANT (ULYSSES S.—18th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Head Quarters Armies of the United States, City Point, Va. Feby. 28th 1865." To "Maj. Gen. Halleck, Washington." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

THE ORIGINAL OF A CIPHERED DISPATCH.

"I do not know that there is any objection to Gen Hancock having his Hd Qrs. at Martinsburg but nothing should be brought away from Winchester except in case of necessity until it is known that Sheridan will not return. The probabilities are decidedly in favor of Sheridan returning to Winchester with his command."

347. GRANT (ULYSSES S.—18th President of the United States). A.N.S., 1p. 8vo, "Dabney Mills Apl 1st/65." To "Maj. Gen. Queitzel A. James." Written in peneil. With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"I have directed Col. Bowers to send you the report of Sheridan's success this afternoon. I have since ordered an attack tonight and pursuit. Communicate the result to your troops. Be ready also to push any wavering that may be shown in your front."

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348. GRANT (ULYSSES S.—18th President of the United States). A.N.S., 1p. 4to, "Head Quarters Armies of the United States, Apl. 3d 1865." To "Maj. Gen. Ord." Written in pencil. With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

IMPORTANT WAR ORDER.

"Efforts will be made to intercept the enemy who are evidently pushing toward Danville. Push Southwest with your command by the Cox road. The A. P. will push up the River road."

349. GRANT (ULYSSES S.—18th President of the United States). A.L.S., 3pp. 4to, "Head Quarters Armies of the United States, Washington, D. C. Feb. 1st 1866." To "Gen. J. E. Johnston." With transcript, biographical note, and 2 portraits.

"Your letter of the 28th of Feb'y in relation to John H. Gu(?) who is now being tried in North Carolina by Military Court is just received. In all cases where Paroles have been given, and observed, under the Convention between Gen. Lee and myself, or between Gen. Sherman and yourself, I have always held and have so said in writing as well as by word, exempt the parties taking the Parole from future trial or punishment by Military or Government authority, for past offences, so far as these offences consisted in making war against the Government of the United States were concerned. . . ."

"Gu is charged with wilfully starving to death prisoners of War. Also of otherwise maltreating them to such an extent as constitute Murder in a very aggravated form. I know nothing of the circumstances myself and sincerely hope the evidence may disprove the charge. . . ."

350. GRANT (ULYSSES S.—18th President of the United States). Printed circular, 1p. 4to, New York, January 1st, 1868. Issued by the Committee of the Cooper Institute Meeting, which nominated Grant for President of the United States. With biographical note, and portrait of Grant. RARE.

351. GRANT (ULYSSES S.—18th President of the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Washington, D. C. Nov. 24th 1868." To "Hon. H. Wilson." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"Your favor is rec'd and has been read by me alone, not another being knowing anything of its contents. I am much obliged to you for the kind expressions contained in your letter towards me personally, and for the support and friendship promised. . . . In regard to the matter you write specially about I will talk to you upon when I meet you. I will say this, however; there is no person who would be more agreeable to me personally than yourself, but in regard to the place of Sec. of War I would say to you what I do not care to commit to paper."

352. GRANT (ULYSSES S.—18th President of the United States). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Washington, D. C. Nov. 6th 1871." To "Dr. J. P. Newman" With transcript of letter.

"The civil authorities in Utah need not fear but they will have ample support from here in executing all laws. I shall write Govr. Wood to-day encouragingly."

"In the matter of the 'dream' it is a pure fiction made out of whole cloth. I never had such a dream; never told so ridiculous a story. I should shrink from the responsibility of following a dream with the lives of 40000 men, and a nation, intrusted to my keeping. . . ."

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353. GRANT (ULYSSES S.—18th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Hamburg, July 4th /78." To "Mr. Cramer." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"The Citizens of this City are very anxious to give me an entertainment to-morrow and I have concluded to accept. . . . We will still go by Lubec and arrive in Copenhagen the following morning . . ."

354. GRANT (ULYSSES S.—18th President of the United States). A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo, "Galena, Ill. Nov. 23d /79." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait. An answer to several invitations to speak at various functions, all of which he declines.

355. GRANT (ULYSSES S.—18th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "New York City Feby. 8th 1882." To "Rev. J. P. Newman." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"Your note of last evening was received notifying me of my election as a trustee of your new church. . . . I can therefore meet with the other trustees . . . Meeting probably better be held at the church though immaterial to me."

356. GRANT (ULYSSES S.—18th President of the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "New York City, Nov. 28th 1883." To "The President" (Chester A. Arthur). With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"I take the liberty of introducing Mrs. Mary Orr Earle, of Washington City. Mrs. Earle is the daughter of the Hon. Jas. L. Orr, of South Carolina . . . Mr. Earle, the husband, was Asst. Dist. Atty. in South Carolina at the time I left the Executive office. . . . I write this introduction to place Mr. Earle in the list of worthy applicants for the position of District Attorney, for the District of Columbia."

357. GRAVES (ALGERNON—picture dealer in London). A.L.S., 2pp. 12mo, "Henry Graves & Co. 6, Pall Mall, London, S. W. Augt 22 1903." To "Josiah H Benton Esq Boston."

"The proof of Two Dogs signed by Landseer you bought of us the other day is one of the earliest impressions off the plate. Mr. John Sheepshanks who left a fine collection of pictures to the Nation, used to have them engraved himself and the first impressions, very few in number, that he kept for himself or gave away to his friends, were printed with his arms on (a small lamb) this was removed from the plate after these few were printed and the usual proofs then printed. . . ."

358. GRAY (HORACE, JR.—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1881). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "39 Court Street, Nov. 5, 1861." To "Henry G. Denny, Esq." With transcript, and portrait.

"Many thanks for the little book of Elections in London. If I had received it a few minutes earlier, I could have been very instructive to the Irish Officers in Ward 7 at the opening of the polls this morning. . . ."

359. GRAY (HORACE JR.—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1881). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Nahant, Mass., Augt 1. 1902." To "Mr Varclear." With transcript, and portrait.

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360. GREELEY (HORACE—American journalist). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "New York, April 17, 1848." To "Sen. Leslie Combs, Lexington, Kentucky;" Also,—A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Office of the Tribune, New York, May 6, 1863." To "Allan Campbell, Esq. Prest. Harlem R. R.," recommending a young man for change of position. With biographical note, and portrait.

The first is an interesting political letter relative to the National Convention, with mention of prominent men.

" . . . We shall go strong for Day from this State; I feel confident of New Jersey, and we all know what Connecticut is. I did hope to be able to say that not one Taylor man was sent from New York nor any district adjoining it, but they have got one from the Northampton (Pa.) district. (Again remember your journey there with McElroth, and speaking at Stroudsburg) I trust there will not be another, and that New York will cast an almost united vote for Day.

"But Massachusetts is dead set against us, and carries New Hampshire with her . . ."

361. GREELEY (HORACE—American journalist). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "London, May 3d, 1851." To "William Howitt." With addressed envelope, transcript, biographical note, and portrait. There is also a FINE PENCIL SKETCH OF GREELEY, showing him sitting in a cave, with two lines of verse; accompanying the above is a poster, with a full-length woodcut portrait of Greeley, and the caption,—"*Horace Greeley, Witches of N. Y.*" The whole neatly mounted in one folder.

VERY FINE.

The verses on the pencil-sketch are in ink, and read.—

*"The lights burn blue. It is now dead midnight
Cold fearful drops stand on my trembling flesh
What do I fear? Myself? There's none else by:
Horace loves Horace. That is I am I."*

*"I shall despair, There is no creature loves me
And if I die no soul will pity me.
Nay wherefore should they? since that I myself
Find in myself no pity to myself."*

"Vide Richard III. Act 5. Sc IV."

H. G. at midnight Nov. 5, as the second "Richard III."

362. GREELEY (HORACE—American journalist). A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo, "Washington City, D. C. Jan. 21, 1856." To "A. W. Thayer, Esq." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

Asks his friend to look after his wife and son, who are staying in Dresden.

"My last letter from Mrs. G. comes down to the 27th ult. She was then greatly broken down in health, and fearing the decline and death of our little son, not quite five years of age. She wishes me to come to them; but that is impossible. I write, therefore, to ask you to learn how they are so soon as may be, and to hasten to their aid if you ever hear that this is desirable. . . . Briefly, then, I wish you, as the only friend near my family, to see that they do not suffer in consequence of Mrs. Greeley's disability from any cause, but that they in such

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Dear Sir:

19th Sept 1782
Ashley River

I had the pleasure
to receive your Letter of the 31st of
August; but not having ^{any thing} special to
communicate I have omitted on
writing it until now. I wrote you
some time past on the subject of
your Regiment being formed up
on the Legionary establishment.
Since I wrote I have received an
entire new arrangement of
the Army to take place in
January next. The Adjutant
General

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case be brought to England as soon as may be and to New York early in the Spring. I shall write to New York to have \$50 enclosed to you in this letter for expenses, and in case you do not find occasion to spend any part of it, you may hand it over to Mrs. Greeley. She has, I presume, money in hand and some more at her bankers, Geo. Peabody & Co. 22 Old Broad St. London; if more is needed, I think H. Bossange or Livingston, Wells & Co. Paris (S place de la Bourse) would cash your draft on me at sight in New York. Let me hear from you as soon as may be. Perhaps the Police of Berlin would telegraph to that of Dresden for you, to ascertain if Mrs. G. is still there."

363. GREENE (NATHANIEL—Major General in the American Revolution). A.L.S., 5pp. 8vo, "19th Sept. 1782, Ashley River." To "Major Habersham." With transcript, and portrait. Letter inlaid.

Fine letter relative to the Continental army.

"... I wrote you some time past on the subject of your Regiment being formed upon the Legionary establishment. Since I wrote I have received an entire new arrangement of the Army to take place in January next. . . . You will collect the minds of the officers agreeable to the resolution and forward it to me as soon as you conveniently can. . . . After you see this resolution you will be convinced Congress will not adopt the plan for forming your Regiment upon the Legionary establishment, and if the State could be satisfied without it I wish it might be dropped altogether. The Army will be established upon an entire new principle, regularity economy and order are to be its basis as well as punctual pay and proper provision. . . .

"The report you heard of Lt Col Laurens death was but too true. His fall is a great loss to the Country. He was a gallant officer and a worthy citizen.

"We have been much amused with peace of late; but reports from St Thomas's says the british ministry are changed and the King determines to push the war. Lord North is at the head of the ministry. Rockingham is dead Fox & Burke are out Charlestown will be evacuated notwithstanding . . ."

[See Illustration]

364. GREGORY XV (Pope Alessandro Ludovisi, Pope, 1621-1623). D.S. (in French), 3pp. 4to. Indulgences granted by His Holiness, on the occasion of the Canonization of Saints Isidore, Ignace, Xavier, Theresce, and Philippe, 1622. Signed by, "Scipio Cardinalis Seta Susanna" (Scipio Cobellutius, of Viterbo, Deacon-Cardinal of Sancta-Susanna, Secretary to the Pope). With English transcript.
365. GRIER (ROBERT C.—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed. 1846). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Mount Carbon, July 1, 1863." To "Chas. H. Hazard, Esqr." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.
366. GRISWOLD (ALEXANDER V.—American Protestant Episcopal Bishop). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Boston, Sept. 10th, 1839." To "Rev. Thomas R. Lambert - Dover N. Hampshire." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

367. GRISWOLD (ALEXANDER V.—American Protestant Episcopal Bishop). A.L.S., 1p. 12mo, "Boston, Jan. 24th, 1840." To "Rev. Joseph H. Clink South Boston." With biographical note, and portrait.
"Having no engagement for the first Sunday in the next month (Feb'y. 2nd) I will if agreeable to you, & the Lord permitting on that day worship with you & give such assistance in the services as you may desire. . . ."
368. GRISWOLD (JOHN AUGUSTUS—Mayor of Troy in 1850). A.L.S., 1p. 12mo, Washington Jan'y 9/64." To "Albert Daggett Esq." With biographical notice, and portrait. Sending a copy of the "Army Register."
369. GRISWOLD (MATTHEW—Governor of Connecticut; Chief Justice of the Superior Court, and President of State Convention to ratify the United States Constitution). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Lynch Oct. 29th, 1792." To "Wm Hillhouse Esqr." With biographical notice.
"I herewith Transmit to you a Letter to your Brother Enclosing a Continental Certificate to be Negotiated for mee at Philadelphia as it is of Sixty or Seventy Dollars Consequence must intreat that you take particular care that it goes Safe to Your Brother . . ."
370. GRISWOLD (ROGER—Governor of Connecticut; son of the former). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Philadelphia Jan. 23d 1796." To "Andrew Huntington Esqr Norwich Connecticut." With biographical notice.
" . . . Nothing very interesting has taken place here. . . . no business has been completed in Congress—those subjects which may probably produce altercation; have not been touched—they must come forward before the Session closes, & will probably derange the good humour we now enjoy . . ."
371. GUILD (CURTIS JR.—American journalist, editor and owner of the Boston Commercial Bulletin). L.S., 1p. 12mo, "Boston, November 21, 1905." To "J. H. Benton Jr.;" L.S., 1p. 12mo, "Boston January 15, 1906 (Personal)." To "Mr. J. H. Benton;" L.S., 1p. 12mo, "Boston, January 18, 1906" To "Mr. J. H. Benton, Jr.;" A.L.S., 2pp. 12mo, "Boston, Feb'y. 23, 1906. *Personal.*" To "J. H. Benton, Esqre." With addressed envelope. All notes of thanks for volumes and autographs received.
372. GUIZOT (FRANÇOIS P. G.—distinguished French statesman and historian). A.L.S., 2pp. 12mo, "Val Richer, January 8, 1863." With transcripts, in French and English, and portrait.
The letter is in French, an English transcript reads in part as follows,—
"My dear (friend and) colleague, I thank you for your affectionate wishes for me and mine and I wish you the same and sincere hopes for the recovery of Mrs. Libri. I think very often of you and her. You have done so much for each other that a little mutual security is due you. Give me, I pray you, news concerning her. . . ."

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373. GUIZOT (FRANÇOIS P. G.—distinguished French statesman and historian). A.L.S., 3pp. 12mo, "Paris, January 30, 1812." With transcripts in French and English, and portrait.

Relating to his forthcoming history. A partial English translation reads,—

" . . . 1st I will send the proofs punctually to Mr. Bentley by mail, as soon as the French edition is printed here. I expect to have the first proof tonight or tomorrow night.

"2nd I hope that Mr. Bentley will have the translation done carefully, and by a capable man and that the proofs of the English edition will also be corrected carefully. . . ."

374. GUIZOT (FRANÇOIS P. G.—distinguished French statesman and historian). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Val Rieker France." To "Charlotte M. Yonge." With English transcript, and portrait.

A partial English translation as follows,—

"I owe you many thanks, Mademoiselle, for the very interesting volume which you have had the kindness to send me, and I should be happy to furnish you with some materials for the continuation of your work. But I fear it is impossible to procure for you a copy of the *Memoirs of Mademoiselle de Montaigne*. . . . The work is worthy of being read, and Mademoiselle de Montaigne is worthy of being commended by the author of *The Heir of Redclyffe*. . . ."

375. HALE (JOHN P.—United States Senator from New Hampshire and Minister to Spain). A.L.S., 1p. oblong 8vo, "Dover N H Sept 2. 1861." With portrait. Regarding a subscription.

376. HALL (ARTHUR C. A.—American Bishop). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Diocese of Vermont, Bishop's House, Burlington, Vt. May 4, 1905." To "Mr. J. H. Benton Jr. Boston." With signed check.

"In the illness of our Treasurer, Mr. Arthur, and during my own convalescence, I am attending to the Endowment Fund of Bp Hopkins Hall. . . ."

377. HALL (HILAND—Governor of Vermont). A.L.S., 1p. 12mo, "North Bennington Vt Jan'y 25. 1859." To "Mr. Charles H. Gordon." With portrait. Regarding a letter that had been mislaid.

378. HALL (N. K.—English minister; advocate of American liberty during the Civil War). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Buffalo, Oct., 29. 1849." With transcript, and portrait. Regarding a tract of land in Erie county.

379. HALLAM (HENRY—English historian and critic). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "22 Windsor Garden, July 16." With portrait.

"It would give me much pleasure to wait on you & Mrs Boyle Monday next, as well as the other distinguished gentleman not mentioned, But I am on the point of starting out for Hyde, where I am likly to remain for several weeks."

(Circular)

Sir

Treasury Department

May 17th 1790

There are in the possession of the late Loan Officers of the United States, several species of public paper the holding of which must be inconvenient to them, while they ought, in propriety to be at the Seat of Government.

I therefore request that on the receipt of this letter you will be pleased to forward to me the Indents, blank Loan Office Certificates, bills of Credit, known by the name of the New Emmissions, and all other public paper which may be in your hands - I am Sir

with respect

your obedient servant

A Hamilton
Secy of the Treasury

Thomas Smith Esqr
Pennsylvania

ALEXANDER HAMILTON—SECRETARY OF UNITED STATES TREASURY

Autograph Letter, Signed. 1790

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380. HAMILTON (ALEXANDER—celebrated American statesman; Aide-de-camp to General Washington; and U. S. Secretary of the Treasury). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, (*Circular*) "Treasury Department, May 17th, 1790." To "Thomas Smith, Esquire, Philadelphia." Address franked with Hamilton's signature. With transcript, and portrait.

"There are in the possession of the late Loan Officers of the United States, several species of public paper the holding of which must be inconvenient to them, while they ought in propriety to be at the Seat of Government.

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381. HAMILTON (ALEXANDER—celebrated American statesman; Aide-de-camp to Washington; Secretary of the U. S. Treasury). L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Treasury Department, January 14, 1791." To "His Excellency Thomas Mifflin, Esq." With transcript, and portrait.

Respecting the account between the United States and Pennsylvania.

"It is necessary to the adjustment of the public accounts, that the officers of the Treasury should be informed what Sum in final settlement certificates were paid over to the several states by the agents for settling the accounts of their respective lines in the late Army. The statements of those agents are the only documents on the subject of which the United States are possessed, and it will be readily perceived that they ought not to be accepted as satisfactory vouchers. I am therefore obliged to request the favor of your directing a return of the Sum received by your state to be made out as expeditiously as may be convenient, and transmitted to this office."

382. HAMILTON (ALEXANDER—celebrated American statesman; Aide-de-camp to Washington; Secretary of the U. S. Treasury). L.S., 1p. 4to, "Treasury Department, August 14th. 1794." To "Henry Jackson, Esquire, Boston." With transcript, and portrait.

"A Warrant has this day issued in your favor on the Treasurer of the United States for five Thousand Dollars, which he has been directed to pay, by remitting to you a draught for a Similar amount on the Office of Discount and Deposit at Boston.

"This money being on account of the Frigate, intended to be built at Boston, you will receive the necessary information with respect to the application thereof from the Commissioner of the Revenue. . . ."

383. HAMILTON (ALEXANDER—celebrated American statesman; Aide-de-camp to Washington; Secretary of the U. S. Treasury). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Aug. 25, 1796." To "Stephen van Rensselaer, Esquire, Lt. Governor, Albany." Address by Hamilton with remark in corner,—"Honoured by W. Adet, Esqr." With transcript, and portrait.

"I embrace with pleasure the opportunity of making you acquainted with Mr. Adet Minister P: of the French Republic, for whom it is unnecessary for me to ask you particular attentions as they are equally due to his public and personal character. I will only add that I shall take a particular interest in whatever you may do to render his visit to Albany agreeable to him."

London Apr. 29th 1760
P
My Dear Brother

I had the pleasure to receive
your Letter by Capt. Pinney & dated Two days ago.
Mentel & Daskwood are both taken, am glad to hear
you are well, and that you had a good Commencement.
what was the Reason of no Oration in the Afternoon.
I hope, if your Uncle is so good as to Continue you
in the Store, w^{ch} I wish he may, you will apply close
to Business, & do all in your power to merit his
fav^r. For consider if you once forfeit it, & lose this
good Opinion, you will make but a poor Figure
in Life; by all means strive to please him, & yet
durst, to disoblige either of them would be very bad
in you. I am just returned from the Country,
& this Vessel sails early in the morning, that I can
enlarge. Say my duty to Uncle & Aunt, Love
to good Hannah, Betty & the whole Family, Tell
Hannah & Betty I will soon be home, I send
Hannah's things some time ago, hope she will receive
& please her. When you write one be particular
in acquainting me of the Situation of the Family &c.

Adieu my Dr. Brother, I wish you
Health, Happiness & the Divine Protection, & believe
me,
Your Affectionate Brother
John Hancock
Say my Respects to Mr.
Glover & Brown, who I
hope are well
wth the Hancock

JOHN HANCOCK--SIGNER OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

Autograph Letter, Signed. 1760

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384. HAMLIN (HANNIBAL—Vice-President of the United States). A.N.S., 1p. 8vo, "Washington, Dec. 6, 1861." To "Albert Daggett, Troy, N.Y.;" A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Wash. May 16, 1874." To "S. T. Pullen." Portraits, biographical note, and obituary notice.

385. HAMLIN (HANNIBAL—Vice-President of the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 12mo, "Bangor May 17 1879." To "M. Titcomb Esq." With transcript, and portrait.

"... You and myself have lived through important [sic] and eventful years of the Republic, and we are not yet done with them—I have yet faith to believe that all will be right in the end.

"If errors have been committed in the pass, let us hope that it may serve to make us more careful in the future. . . ."

386. HANCOCK (JOHN—Signer of the Declaration of Independence). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "London, Sepr. 29th, 1760." To "Mr. Ebenezer Hancock at Boston." With transcript, biographical account, and portrait.

A FINE AUTOGRAPH LETTER written to his Brother, from London.

"I had the pleasure to Receive your Letters by Capts. Kinney & Calef Two days ago. Hunter & Dashwood are both Taken, am glad to hear you are well, and that you had a good Commencmt. what the Reason of no Oration in the Afternoon. I hope, if your Uncle is so good as to Continue you in the Store, wch I wish he may, you will apply Close to Business, & do all in your power to merritt his favr. for Consider if you once forfeit it, & loose his good Opinion, you will make but a poor Figure in Life; by all means strive to please him & yor. Aunt, to disoblige either of whom would be unpardonable in you. I am just Return'd from the Country, & this Vessel Sails early in the morning, that I can't Enlarge.

"Pay my Duty to Uncle & Aunt, Love to good Hannah, Betsy & the whole Family. Tell Hannah & Betsy & all I want to see them; I Sent Hannah's things some time ago, hope she will Recieve & please her—When you write me be particular in acquainting me of the Situation of the Family &c. . . ."

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387. HANCOCK (JOHN—Signer of the Declaration of Independence). L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Boston, March 17, 1783." Signed also by W. Greenleaf. An admission to receive Peter Maloy into an Alms House; ALSO,—D.S., 3pp. folio, March 18, 1789. A very important deed relative to powder "*which shall be offered whether it be the property of the Commonwealth or of private individuals,*" with signature of John Hancock and a PERFECT IMPRESSION OF THE STATE SEAL. With biographical account, and portrait.

388. HANCOCK (WINFIELD SCOTT—Major-General in the Civil War). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Washington, D. C. Feby, 9, 1865." To "His Ex R. E. Fenton, Govr. of New York." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"Mr. J. J. D. Kingsbury of New York, a young gentleman who has had the misfortune to fail in his examination at West Point, in Mathematics, desires to recover from the effects of such misfortune, by entering the Service as a Lieutenant in one of the New York Regiments in the field. . . . I consider his being found deficient at West Point a misfortune, nothing more. I am not one of those who think that a gentleman may not make an excellent officer because found deficient in Mathematics at West Point. . . ."

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389. HANNA (MARK A.—Chairman of the Republican National Committee, Western Headquarters). L.S., 1p. 4to, "Cleveland, Ohio, Nov. 12th, 1900." To "Mr. Albert Daggert, Washington, D. C." Note of thanks acknowledging congratulatory message, and expressing pleasure at results for Republicans. With portrait.

390. HARDY (THOMAS—British writer). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Max Gate, near Dorchester. June 29, 1885." With transcript.

"You have my full permission to include the hangman's song in 'The Three Strangers' in your collection. Also the Bonaparte song in 'The Trumpet Major' (1 vol. edn.) which I think you asked for. . . ."

391. HARLAN (JOHN M.—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1877). A.L.S., 3pp. 4to, "Louisville, Ky., Dec. 27, 1869." To "Gen. W. W. Belknap, Washington City, D. C." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"Recent sickness has prevented an earlier acknowledgement of your courtesy and kindness in calling the attention of the President to the subject of my former letter. . . ."

"It is stated in the public prints that the Senate will not confirm the nomination of Judge Hoar. Since then the death of Mr. Stanton has made another vacancy upon the Supreme Bench. . . ."

"It is a serious reflection upon the fidelity and ability of the Union men of the South to say, even by implication that no one can be found in that whole section who would make a proper Judge of Supreme Court. . . ."

"I beg therefore to say that it would rejoice the friends of the Administration in this State if the President could see his way clear to nominate Judge Ballard for one of the vacancies now existing in the Supreme Bench. . . ."

392. HARLAN (JOHN M.—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1877). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, no place, no date. To "Senator Edmunds." With transcript, and portrait.

393. HARPER (JOHN A.). A.L.S., 3pp. 1to, "Washington, January 6, 1813." To "His Excellency Governor Plumer." With transcript.

"Information" that the English were to take the Northern part of the United States and Napoleon the Southern.

"The information which I communicate in this letter was received by me confidentially, and I impart it to you in the same manner. Bonaparte has made a proposition to the English government for peace, upon this basis—that one of the Royal family shall be sent to Halifax with one hundred and fifty thousand troops.—that the English shall conquer and hold the United States, as far as the Potomac—and that Bonaparte shall take the residue of the Country as far as the Gulph of Mexico. . . ."

394. HARRISON (BENJAMIN—23rd President of the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 1to, "Indianapolis, Feb. 9, 1857." To "Russel F. Lord, Esqr." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

Family letter, with mention of his wife and son; also on politics and court matters.

". . . The political temperature however has kept at the boiling point, in the State House & in some circles about town. The Republicans having

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the control of the Senate & the Democrats of the House of Reps the wheels of legislation have been locked, and those very patriotic gentlemen Candidates for the U. S. Senatorships have been forced to content themselves with a Caucus election & have now gone on to Washington with the Certificates of the Gov. & Sec'y that they were duly elected by the Legislature, when in fact there was not a quorum of either House present & the Senate was actually in session & doing business at the same time. I have not taken much interest in politics since our most disastrous defeat in Inda in Oct & Nov. last. . . . Our courts have had an uninterrupted session since the first of Octr. & we have not been able to give attention to anything else. . . ."

- 394A. HARRISON (BENJAMIN—23rd President of the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "United States Senate, Washington, D. C., April 30, 1886." To "Hon. C. H. Reeves Plymouth, Ind." With transcript, and portrait.

" . . . I have just returned from Indiana having been absent nearly a week from Washington. I am sorry to say that your letter in relation to the Plymouth P. O. came too late. That case, in common with a great many other suspended cases, was held up until we could ascertain whether any charges against the personal or official character of the officers removed were on file. . . ."

395. HARRISON (BENJAMIN—23rd President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Nov. 9, 1899." With portrait, and biographical note.

396. HARRISON (BENJAMIN—23rd President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 29th 1876." To "Rev. S. J. Prime, D. D. New York" With copy, and portrait.

"I am much obliged to your committee for the kindness which induces them to renew their request. . . . But May is a busy month with me in the U. S. Courts, and the stress of the hard times will probably compel me to forego the pleasure of travel next summer."

397. HARRISON (WILLIAM HENRY—9th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Head Quarters Seneca Town 4th Sept 1813." To "Brig. Genl. G. Clay, Fort Meigs."

Relates to Harrison's campaign against the British forces, under command of Colonel Proctor.

" . . . After the good behaviour of Captn. White Esqr & his party you certainly could not do otherwise than give them guns as I should have done—altho those that were not of that party will have to return them at the end of their service."

"I regret the unwillingness of yr. Brigade to join the army in its advance only from its possessing more military acquirements than the New Militia & from the mortification that it will give yourself & some of your officers as the number coming from Kenty will be quite equal to my wishes. . . ."

398. HARRISON (WILLIAM HENRY—9th President of the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Northbend Ohio 20th Apl. 1815." To "Major Genl Jackson, Commanding the 8th Military District, New Orleans." With address. Accompanied by portrait, and a note of Harrison.

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Written at the time Harrison was acting as Indian Commissioner.

"Altho I have not had the satisfaction to be personally known to you I recollect with pleasure that we had formerly some correspondence & that at a most critical period of my life you were so friendly as to make preparations to assist & support me— How sincerely did I reciprocate this disposition in your late arduous & glorious struggle? How gladly would I have joined you & served under your command even at the Head of a Regiment?"

399. HARRISON (WILLIAM HENRY—9th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Washington 22nd. Feby 1830." To "J. Andrews Esq 1st. Asst. Cashier Bank U. S." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

Relative to Harrison's bank account.

"In attempting to make a settlement with the Government I find myself charged with the sum of nine thousand dollars . . . this sum you have recollected me with only \$7334.62/100. The first deposit made by the Govt. on my account was on the 16th of July 1829 for \$5000. On the 23rd of that month you credit me with \$3334.62/100 but no such sum was ever charged to me by the Govt. so that it must be part of the five thousand. . . ."

400. HARRISON (WILLIAM HENRY—9th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "North Bend, 18th Oct 1833." To "P. Benson, Esq. Cashier Branch Bank Cincinnati." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"My son-in-law Doctor Thornton will have the pleasure to deliver you this. He has a note in your bank endorsed by Mr Garroe which expires on the 22/25. . . . Will you my friend lend the Doctor your aid to get this order revised."

401. HARRISON (WILLIAM HENRY—9th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Monday 13th Augt." To "Capt Floyd, Comm. at Fort Knox." Repaired with gauze. With transcript, and portrait.

Relative to a Council with the Indians.

"I shall meet the Indians the day after Tomorrow & will thank to send down early in that Morning a non Commissioned Officer & twelve men to return to the garrison in the Evg.— I wish them to be as well dressed as possible & not all of one Corps but half of the Infantry and half of the Rifle Regiment. . . ."

402. HARTE (BRET—American author). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "New York, Mar 20 /71." To "Mr. Henry A. Folsom, Dartmouth College." With transcript, and portrait.

An answer to an invitation to act as the poet for Dartmouth College, at their anniversary.

"I wish I could forecast my work for the next six months with sufficient accuracy to enable me to answer yr. pleasant invitation as I should like. But I cannot, and I fear I must reluctantly decline the proffered honor of acting as yr. Poet from sheer inability to determine whether I shall ever have more time than I seem to have at present to prepare myself for such an occasion. . . ."

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403. HARVARD UNIVERSITY. Waterhouse (Benjamin—physician, born at Newport, R. I., 1754; began the study of medicine with Dr. John Haliburton, and subsequently continued under Dr. John Fothergill in London. He aided in establishing the medical school at Harvard, where he was professor of medicine from 1783 to 1812. He was also professor of Natural History at Brown University from 1784 to 1791; and delivered in the state-house at Providence, the first course of lectures on science in this country). A.L.S., 3pp. folio, "Boston, Feby 11th, 1783." To "Mr. Champlin."

A HIGHLY IMPORTANT LETTER RELATIVE TO HIS APPOINTMENT TO A PROFESSORSHIP AT HARVARD COLLEGE, IN WHICH HE GIVES A VERY FULL ACCOUNT OF THE ACTION OF NOTED MEN OF MASSACHUSETTS IN CONNECTION WITH HIS NOMINATION, MENTIONING AMONG OTHERS, SAMUEL ADAMS AND GOVERNOR HANCOCK. In writing of the entry of Mr. Champlin's son, he cites an "indulgence" which is of interest.

404. HARVEY (PETER—American merchant). A.L.S., 3pp. 12mo, "Boston, Decr, 14th, 1875." To "Hon. C. H. Bill." With transcript. Regarding some correspondence.

405. HASTINGS (WARREN—first Governor-General of British India). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Daylesford House, 15th May 1805." To "James Blunt." With transcript, and brilliant proof of the portrait (line engraving) by W. Shelton.

"I return you many thanks for your friendly and instructive letter. The subject of it was not new to me. I had before read your letter to Ar. Young in his annals, which treats of it; and was so well convinced of the efficacy of the preservative which you recommend as to have resolved on making a trial of it with my whole crop of this season. One difficulty only occurs in my mode of husbandry, which I am not sure that I can easily conquer; but I shall attempt it. My turnips are always drilled; and having with much pains, and with much success too, brought my people to that practice. I do not like to relinquish it even for a season. . . ."

406. HASTINGS (WARREN—first Governor-General of British India). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Daylesford House, 29th. March 1812." To "M. La Beaume." With transcript, and portrait.

" . . . If in your return home, or by any other chance, you shall have occasion to pass near this place, Mrs. Hastings & I will be very happy to receive you & your sister as our guests, if you will do us the honor of calling at this place. In that event, I shall beg the favor of you to apprise me by the post a day or two before, of your intention, that we may guard against a second disappointment."

407. HAY (JOHN—American author; Secretary of State of the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Department of State, Washington, Feb'y 14, 1880." *Unofficial.* To "Wm. Harris Kneass, Esq. Fort Wayne." With transcript.

" . . . I have never yet had time to explain to you the thousand little objections which lie against our asking small favors of the foreign diplomats in Washington. If we could get together some evening with a mug of beer between us I could make the thing plainer than by writing. . . ."

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408. HAY (JOHN—American author; Secretary of State of the United States). A.N.S., 1p. 8vo, "Department of State, Washington, March 11, 1880." To "General Devens." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.
409. HAY (JOHN—American author; Secretary of State of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Department of State, Washington, June 20, 1903." To "the Diplomatic and Consular Officers of the United States." With transcript, and photograph.
"At the instance of the Honorable Herbert Putnam, Librarian of Congress, I take pleasure in introducing to you Mr. Josiah H. Benton, Jr., of Boston, Massachusetts.
"I cordially bespeak for Mr. Benton such assistance and courtesies as you may be able to extend, consistently with your official duties."
410. HAYES (RUTHERFORD B.—19th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "State of Ohio Executive Department. Columbus, 28th Jany 1869." To "Mr. Rumamus Columbus O."
"I knew the brave, Arnold Isler several years in the army— He was a faithful honest industrious boy and a capitol little soldier."
411. HAYES (RUTHERFORD B.—19th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "State of Ohio Executive Department. Columbus, 27th April 1871." To "E. C. Mins DD N.Y." With portrait, and biographical note.
" . . . I trust that the Association for which a charter has been granted in your State will be organized, it will prove an efficient helper in the good work to which you are devoted and in which all good men must wish your entire success."
412. HAYES (RUTHERFORD B.—19th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Fremont, Ohio. 27 June 1874." To "E. W. Nash 120 Nassau St N. Y." With transcript, and portrait. An order for books.
413. HAYES (RUTHERFORD B.—19th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Fremont, O. 14th April 1881." To "Mr. Phillip Pugh." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.
"I do not recall with sufficient distinctness to entitle me to speak confidently, what did occur between Gen C. and myself touching the Vineland Post Office. . . ."
414. HAYES (RUTHERFORD B.—19th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Shingel Grove, Fremont, O. 28 Apr. 1884." Marked—"Private." To "Samuel A. Chester." With biographical note, and portrait.
Relative to the destroying of autograph letters.

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415. HAYNE (ROBERT Y.—distinguished American orator). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to. No place or date, but Columbia, 1832. To Judge Johnson. With transcript, and portrait.

AN IMPORTANT POLITICAL LETTER.

"Allow me to say to you with feelings of sincerest regard that I do hope that the invitation which we have held out to our Union friends, will be met in the spirit, in which it has been conceived. The point now to be attained is that So. Ca. shall no longer present to our opponents abroad the spectacle of a divided people. Our best chance of obtaining a peaceable redress of our grievance;—of striking terror into the hearts of the monopolists, and even of bringing our sister states to our aid, is to have it at once understood that when the political contest is decided at home, we will no longer be divided among ourselves. . . ."

416. HAYNES (LEMUEL—eminent colored minister). Autograph manuscript. 12pp. 12mo, "Rutland, 1801 and 1809." With portrait.

Original manuscript notes, probably for sermons. They are unsigned. They show profound knowledge of the Holy Scriptures.

417. HAZLITT (WILLIAM—English critic and miscellaneous writer). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, To "Robert Baldwin, Esq. Paternoster Row London." With address, and portrait.

" . . . if you would transmit the proof of Table-Talk, No. 3. I should be mortified not to have it in the next number of the Magazine. I am busy transcribing Nos. IV. V. VI. VII & VIII. On the present state of parliamentary eloquence,— On the pleasure of painting,— On reading old authors.— On vulgarity & affectation.— On the look of a gentleman. If I thought they would be regularly inserted, I would finish the whole 40 nos. out of hand. . . ."

418. HENDRICKS (THOMAS A.—Vice-President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Indianapolis July 25-84." To "Magnus A. Hess Esq." With transcript, and portrait. Declining an invitation.

419. HENDRICKS (THOMAS A.—Vice-President of the United States). L.S., 1p. 4to, "Indianapolis, Sept.-13-84." To "Mrs. Boyd." With transcript and portrait. Relative to the prospects of the Presidential election.

420. HENRY IV. or Henry of Navarre. D.S., 1p. folio, "Fontainebleau, 1605." With French and English transcripts, and portrait.

Partial English translation,—

"To all our lieutenants, generals, governors of our provinces, bailies, seneschals, provosts, judges, or their lieutenants, captains, heads or leaders of our troops both horse and foot of whatever language and nation they may be, mayors, aldermen, consuls, keepers of gates, ports, bridges, toll-gates, passages and passes, and to all our elders, justices, officers and subjects whom it may concern, greeting. It is our will and we command you that My Lord Bishop of Marseilles on his way to Florence you shall let him pass safely and freely through any of our dominions, . . ."

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421. HENRY (PATRICK—American statesman and orator). A.L.S., 1p. 4to. "Hanover, Sept. 14th. 1779." To "Col. Wm. Oreston." With address, transcript, biographical note, and portrait. On the reverse is a letter by Wm. Phillips relative to sale of lands.

"I have sold to Mr. Robt. Johnson of Orange three thousand four hundred acres of land surveyed on the western Waters under Lord Dunmores Warrants lodged with you—two thousand acres lay on Elk Horn Creek adjoining a Tract of 3000 acres. I sold Mr. Thomas Madison; four hundred on Ohio opposite the Mouth of Scioto & the other one thousand I purchased of J. Byrd Esqr. who claimed it from his Father. The particular survey of Col. Byrds is not yet pitched upon. . . ."

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422. HENRY (PATRICK—American statesman and orator). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Richmd. Decr. 31st. 1785." To "Capt. Wm. Merewether, Louisa." With address, transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"It is with Concern that I find by yours that Mrs. Woods Conduct gives you Uncasiness. The Duty you owe to your oirn private Affairs certainly requires that if you see Matters going wrong, you ought to interpose so as to save yourself from Damage. Perhaps on an Application to her my Sister would so contrive Matters as to render you & every one contented— But if that is not done the Remedy is pointed out by Law—which is to complain to Court & have counter Security or take the Estate into yr. oirn Hands— As the eldest Son is just coming of Age, I guess it will be in his power to give satisfactory Assurances concerning the Estate. . . ."

423. HERVEY (JAMES—Clergyman, Church of England, and devotional writer). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Weston, May 2, 1741." To "Revd. Mr. Robson." With address, transcript, and portrait.

424. HOAR (EBENEZER R.—American jurist). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Concord. Dec 12th., 1840." To "Ebenezer Smith, jr., Esq., Boston, Mass." With address, biographical note, and portrait.

" . . . I find by recurring to your letter of Sept. 4th that you then stated that you wished me to wait and obtain an Exn. vs. Stevens & Hutchinson, and if they did not pay it, you would. As this was nothing more of a proposal than the one which you had made Mr. Yale when you put your name on the note, and as you further stated that it would be impossible for you to pay that amount at present, I did not suppose that any further communication was necessary or would be expected. . . ."

425. HOAR (GEORGE F.—United States Senator from Massachusetts). Admission Card to Senate Chambers. "U. S. Senate Chamber Washington, Jan. 29, 1901." To "Mr. Benton." In the autograph of Senator Hoar. With biographical note, and portrait.

426. HOBART (GARRET A.—Vice-President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "The Vice-President's Chamber, Washington. June 18/97."

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427. HOLMES (OLIVER WENDELL—American author, poet and physician). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Boston Dec. 8th, 1866." To "the Editor of the *Independent*." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"... I am much obliged to you for your polite invitation to write for the *Independent*. I feel obliged, however, for the present at least, to decline all proposals however flattering and generous, to court the good opinion or provoke the censure of a new audience, as I am to write regularly during the coming Elec- for every number of the *Atlantic*, and as this with my College labors is enough to keep me out of that mischief which the Father of evil is said to find for idle hands to do. . . ."

428. HOLMES (OLIVER WENDELL—American author, poet and physician). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Boston, Oct. 5th 1873." To "the Editor of the *London Athenaeum*." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"... A certain freedom in the handling of living authors is essential to the character and favor of such letters as you want, and that is what I have never indulged myself in. It is more to my taste to make a book now and then than to talk in print about the books of other people. If I could do it in as graceful a way as M. Edmond About serves you up his *Paris feuilleton* I might be tempted to show my talent, but as it is I think I had better keep it in the napkin.

"I thank you not the less for the compliment implied in your polite request and for your liberal offer, which ought to command the services of something better than the Bohemians and Medocs who infest some of our critical journals. . . ."

429. HOLMES (OLIVER WENDELL—American author, poet and physician). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "296 Beacon St. (Boston), June 9th, 1890." To "Mr. Bowen." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"... Day after tomorrow we leave Boston for the season,—my son and his wife and myself, and remain in our country and seaside residence until October. But I keep my Boston house open and we can talk over the history of Woodstock there very comfortably. . . . I think there must be a great deal in it which comes home to me, whose ancestors were among the earliest settlers. I am sure you must feel a pride in the town you have done so much to enrich and establish. . . ."

430. HOLMES (OLIVER WENDELL, JR.—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1902). A.L.S., 1p. 12mo, "Supreme Court of the United States, Washington, D. C., March 29, 1907." To "J. H. Benton, Esq., Counsellor at Law, Boston, Massachusetts." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait. On legal matters with special reference to the Sherman "Anti-Trust Act."

431. HOLMES (OLIVER WENDELL, JR.—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1902). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "March 8, 1910." To "J. H. Benton, Esq., Ames Building, Boston, Massachusetts." With transcript and biographical note. Thanking Mr. Benton for a book which has given "pleasure of running through it."

432. HONE (WILLIAM—British author and bookseller). A.L.S., 4pp. 4to, "Ludgate Hill, 23 May, 1823." To "M. W. Alexander, Yarmouth." [Continued]

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With transcript, and portrait by George Cruikshank.

AN EXCEPTIONALLY FINE LETTER.

"From two of your letters arriving while I had a heavy Sale on, the third while in the midst of alterations of my premises; and the whole three while under the extreme recreation from the delay at the printers in the publication of my *Mysteries*, . . . Now how I am to make good the evil I have occasioned I know not—but, as out of evil comes good, it may be that both of us will have received a lesson, and that you may determine not to rely on me in future, while I under the apprehension of such a purpose may be more exact. . . . Herewith you have 4 copies of the *Mysteries* & 2 of the *Apoc. N. Test.*—the former book has been, like *Corjates* erudities, 'hastily gobbled up' to the extent of 800 copies. . . ."

"I am now a Book auctioneer, 'one and indivisible,' and, strange to say, can catalogue away & knock down without danger to my resolution to read no more—a resolution that has been forced upon me, & must be persevered in for the sake of the family—Books have been my companions, friends, counsellors & consolers—I have flown to them amid care, as drunkards do to drams, & almost to as bad end—for they intoxicate & enervate me most fearfully—inasmuch as the pleasure I have in them abstract me from real duties, disqualify me for active exertion, and leave me to the 'worm of conscience' which has at length bitten me into the aforesaid resolve to read no more. . . ."

433 HOOD (JANE—Widow of Thomas Hood, British poet) A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "16 Hemingford Cottages, Barnsbury Road, Islington, 17th Novr.:" Also,—Envelope addressed,—"*Miss Shobert, with Mrs. Hood's Compliments.*" With transcript.

"I must request you will inform me from what source you obtained the poem published in the '*Forget me Not*' of this season with the signature of the late Mr Hood—I should wish also to see the M.S.S.—The poem is not genuine—and being very inferior I am most anxious to have the matter explained. . . ."

434. HOOD (THOMAS—English poet). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "31 King's Road, Brighton, 16 Nov.; 1828." To "Robt. Balmanno, Esqr., 7 Craven Street, Strand, London." With,—"*Copy of the Enclosure. 31 Kings Road, Brighton, Sunday Morning, 16 Novr., 1828.*" To "Sir Thomas Lawrence, P.R.A.," attested as "*a True Copy by me, R.B.*" (Robert Balmanno). With transcripts, and portrait.

" . . . Your account of the *Gem* was very gratifying,—not that I must reckon on my contingencies,—they are more likely to prove dead certainties. If Booksellers have a main sale they will pretend it was only a mizzen. . . . All our Compliments to all your Compliments,—& all our regards on every regard. I am obliged to close hastily to save the post; but am deliberately . . ."

Hood's letter to Sir Thomas Lawrence, a copy of which he encloses, reads in part,—

"There are some sketches of Brighton—(in Cookes Copper) & I have undertaken to scribble some notes on the margin of the sea. To this end, I am here enjoying the breezes,—which I inhale like a sea sider looking over a prospect that in its calm reminds me of a sea peace by Vanderwerelde & in its shingles of Becehcy. . . . Afar off, a lonely vessel is tumbling about and observe here the goodness of providence that the rougher the storm, the better the boat is pitched,—while here and there in the foreground may be seen what Moliere with his french inversion would call a Tar tough. The skeleton of a lost brig, like the bones of a sea monster lies at the extreme left. . . ."

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435. HOOD (THOMAS—English poet). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "2 Robert Street, Adelphi." To "A. Cooper, Esqre 13. New Milman Street." With transcript, and portrait. Address and wax seal.

"I returned yesterday from Brighton with the Book of M.S.S. which has only been seen by myself. I have selected two of the shorter pieces for insertion but should be glad to have a reading of the poems you mention. Will you have the goodness to ascertain whether Mr Housman would prefer his name or initials only to be affixed. . . ."

436. HOPKINS (JOHN H.—first Episcopal Bishop of Vermont). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Burlington Vt. March 22, 1850." To "Rt. Rev Bishop Buyers, D. D." With biographical note, and portrait.

" . . . The Review of my book in the Christian Witness & Advocate struck me at the time, not only as being very able & thorough, but particularly as expressive of a most kind and affectionate spirit towards the author. . . ."

"The warmth of approbation with which this last publication has been received, has not merely gratified, but astonished me; especially in the fact that it has proceeded with equal kindness and zeal, from both sides; our brethren of Maryland, New Jersey and Connecticut, on the one hand, and those of Virginia, Ohio and Delaware upon the other. . . ."

437. HORTON (EDWARD AUGUSTUS—Unitarian minister, and author). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "From Rev. Edward A. Horton 25 Beacon Street Boston Dec. 15, 1904." To "Colonel [J. H. Benton]." Accepting invitation to the Vermont Association Dinner for following January.

438. HOWE (JULIA WARD). A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo, "241 Beacon St. Jan. 2nd 1903." To "Mr. J. H. Benton, Jr.;" Also,—A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Jan. 6th, 1902." To "Mrs. Benton," thanking her for flowers. With transcripts.

The letter to Mr. Benton refers to *"a letter which I have written to Countess Yampini Valazar, expressive of my good opinion of her magazine, the Italian Review. The Countess is herself partly English, and her magazine is published in that language. She visits this country in the interest of her publication. . . ."*

439. HOWELLS (WILLIAM DEAN—American author and critic). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Executive Mansion, Washington, May 10, 1880." To "John Hay." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

" . . . I have been trying, ever since we came, to meet you, and Mrs. Howells and I will come to-morrow. As usual I shall come with a letter from Mark Twain in my pocket. . . ."

440. HOWELLS (WILLIAM DEAN—American author and critic). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "York Harbor, Sept. 26, 1915." To "Miss Hersey." With transcript, and portrait.

"It is very kind of you to hold back a bridal pair in our behalf, and I wish we could profit by your kindness. . . ."

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441. HUBBARD (T.—Speaker of the Massachusetts House of Representatives). D.S., 1p. folio, "Boston, Augt. 12, 1756." Treasurer's Account of Expenses for the County of Suffolk, signed by the treasurer, Richard Bill; On the reverse of sheet, is an affidavit by the Subscribers appointed a Committee by the Court of General Sessions of the Peace for the County of Suffolk approving said account, and signed by,—George Craddock, John Phillips, Joseph Donse, and Ezek. Goldthwait, Cler.; also, "In the house of Representatives, Augt. 18, 1756. Read and Ordered that the Account be allowed . . ." signed by,—T. Hubbard, Spkr., Thos. Clarke, Dpty. Secry. and consented to by W. Shirley.
442. HUGHES (THOMAS—British writer). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Athenaeum Club, Pall Mall, Oct. 20/81." With transcript, and portrait.
"I was much annoyed to find from a letter of my brother's that the copy of my works, & the autograph of Mr. Disraeli had never reached their destination. . . . I will instruct MacMillan to forward copies of my books through their American house, & will not neglect any chance of getting information as to the missing ones &c, though I have little hope now of bringing Mr. Robson to book. . . ."
443. HUGO (VICTOR—eminent French poet and writer). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Hanonville house, [Calais] 22 avril [1862]." To "M. André Lavariyon," congratulating the journalist on his attitude and written work re 'La Gironde.' Also,—A.N.S., 1p. 12mo, "9 Mai [1844]." To "M. L. Cheratres," sending congratulations. With two portraits. As one lot.

444. HUGO (VICTOR—eminent French Novelist). A.L.S., (initials), 4pp. 8vo, "May 16." No year, but early. With French and English transcripts, and portrait.

AN EXCEEDINGLY IMPORTANT LETTER, with mention of his own works, and those of Sir Walter Scott.

Letter in French, a partial English transcript reads as follows,—

" . . . Personally I assure you of my gratitude for both the first and the second articles with which you permit me to honor my feeble work.

All that you say about Cerrantes and Don Quixote seems to me to be singularly just and appropriate. I do not fully share your severe opinion of W. Scott. I think that in all of his works which are not mere speculations, a primary idea is expressed and developed. See Kenilworth, Ivanhoe, The Prison of Edinburgh, Q. Durward, &c.

Otherwise you are quite right in this: every work which has not some sort of a mythical sense, that is to say, which does not develop some great moral idea, is a futility unworthy of art, that basis of every literary system is also (and I am proud to find that you possess it) the foundation of mine. Thus in Hans d'Islande I did not try to do anything except to contrast two misanthropists, who, while having opposite principles arrive at nearly similar results and correct each other (Hans and Schumacher). In Bug-Jargal I attempted the opposition of devotion carried to its very highest degree (Bug-Jargal) and hatred which has reached its greatest intensity (Habibah). I could have become stranded in these two emotions but I only worked according to a fixed aim and staunch principles. . . . One word more. In trying to justify W. Scott, I must not omit to reassure you on the very watchful apprehension which you so kindly have concerning me. From wherever they come I spurn imitations and imitators."

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445. HUMBOLDT (ALEXANDER—illustrious German savant and traveller). A.N.S., 1p. 12mo. in French, "Vendredi soir." To "Monsieur Mortimer Deleuze, 7 rue Garanciere." With English transcript. Making an engagement.

446. HUMBOLDT (ALEXANDER—illustrious German savant and traveller). A.L.S., 1p. in German, 12mo, "Monsieur Savoye Care of the Chief of the German Panorama. 4 rue Richer." With English transcript, and portrait.

"I am, honored Sir, very much obliged for your so flattering and friendly favor. The idea of the German Panorama is conceived with intelligence and artistically directed. Most kindly accept the expression of my most cordial thanks. . . ."

447. HUME (DAVID—Scottish philosopher and historian). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "5th Augst., [1772.] With transcript, and portrait.

" . . . There are also some Verses in a Note & I must desire you to make in them the following Alteration. Instead of these Lines

*Unmov'd behold, the clamorous Throng,
Tho' all the Rage of doing wrong,
Their furious Souls inflame,*
read

*Scarcely behold, the threatening Crowd;
Nor can their Clamors, fierce & loud,
His stubborn Honor tame. . . ."*

448. HUNT (LEIGH—British poet). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "13, Lisson Grove North, Monday 8. Dec. 1817." To "Mr. C. C. Clarke, Mr. Towerss." With addresses, and 2 portraits.

" . . . The friend who takes charge of the business upon which I wrote to you from the country has sent me this without a letter containing the following notes:—'I wish, my dear Hest, that you will learn for me with the least possible delay whether Mr. Clarke could undertake the conduct of—to Venice—on the terms before mentioned i.e. a full payment of all expenses & immediate departure.— I trust to you for not delaying to benefit me by this enquiry.'"

449. HUNT (LEIGH—British poet). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Chelsea, July 1." To "Mr. Sergeant Talfourd, M.P., Russell Square." With address, transcript, and portrait.

"I send you my violet poem, which I hope, may think, will please you. It was written during the effusion of spirits caused by that descent of the refreshing shower out of the Treasury upon my gasping clay; and if there is not something in it in consequence, then happiness itself would not make me write happily. . . ."

"Am I doing what I should not do, in asking you, whether I may reckon confidently enough upon what report has told me of a favourable opinion expressed of my other verses . . . I live so out of the world, that I am absolutely ignorant of all etiquette, & never know whether I am doing the foolishlest thing imaginable. . . ."

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"She left an Estate on one of Elizabeth's Islands called Slocum's Island in the Township of Dartmouth under lease to Richard Sanford of Dartmouth & John Robinson of Dorchester at Eighty Pounds lawful money a year, the former since dead.

"She has now executed a Power of Attorney to enable you to receive what rent is due upon the Lease which in her behalf I desire you to do. . . . I left New England upon an order of leave from the King before any hostilities began and when I sincerely wished they never might begin. I made my son my Attorney who left the country also at the same time with my Sister.

"My moveable Estate in my house & on my farm at Milton was more than a thousand pounds sterling in value. My estate there and at Dorchester is well known. I have one mortgage upon an Estate in Middleborough recorded in the County of Plimouth amounting to more than £1500—Sterling. And my houses warehouse wharfes etc are well known in the Town of Boston. . . ."

[See Illustration]

455. INGELOW (JEAN—popular English poetess). A.L.S., 5pp. 8vo, "6 Holland Villas Road, Kensington, London, W. (Oct. 20, 1887)." To "John Eliot Bowen, Esq. New York." With addressed envelope, transcript, and portrait.

". . . I have now finished five papers, little Essays 'Hints on the Cultivation of the Senses.' I believe they will come out in 'Good Words' the first five months of the new year, 1888. . . .

"In case my paper should prove too long, I shall get you to send it at once to my friend & publisher,—J. Niles, Esq, 3 Somerset, Street, Boston. . . ."

456. IREDELL (JAMES—appointed by President Washington as an Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court; the trusted adviser of many of the Whig leaders during the American Revolution). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Elk Marsh, Oct. 11th, 1783." To "Miss Blair." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait. The letter, slightly damaged by fire, has been neatly protected by transparent gauze, none of the words are missing.

"While Andreic is engaged in catching Sawney, which I shall give him in exchange for Smoaker, I find a leisure moment to offer you my congratulations on your entire recovery, which I am very happy to hear. You may if you please return me the same compliment on mine by (your) uncle or some other opportunity to the Court, for I have at present all the capital symptoms of good health. . . ."

457. IRVING (HENRY—eminent English actor). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Lyceum Theatre." To "Mr. Jarvis, February 2nd 1891." With transcript, addressed envelope, and portrait.

". . . I much appreciate the spirit of your offer & shall be delighted at any time to receive a copy of 'Wits & Beaux'.

"I regret that I had not an opportunity of showing you the theatre, owing to constant rehearsals."

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458. IRVING (HENRY—eminent English actor). L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Lyceum Theatre, 14 June 1899." To "F. J. Reeds." With transcript, autographed photograph, and envelope addressed in Irving's hand.

"Thank you most cordially for your letter I shall be in America in the autumn if all goes well, & hope to play at Philadelphia for two weeks—beginning December 11."

459. IRVING (WASHINGTON—American author). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "London, March 6, 1831." To "Theodore Lyman, Esq." With transcript, biographical note, and 2 portraits.

"Permit me to introduce to you Capt. Alexander of the British army whose publication of his travels in the East may have already made you acquainted with him. . . ."

460. JACKSON (ANDREW—7th President of the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Nashville January 6th, 1805." To "Colonel Francis Preston, Salt Works, Virginia." With address. With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

Fine business letter, with mention of a debt, and iron works in which Jackson was interested.

" . . . Should I not be disappointed . . . I will remit you by him (Mr. Guy Trigg) \$1000. I had prepared two Boat load of hogs for New Orleans to meet your debt—but as I find it will be a convenience to you to receive it in Virginia—I will send it to you as soon as I can possibly raise it— The detention of the iron at the North fork, occasioned us to loose the Spring Sales, of course we have a large quantity on hand I believe a sufficient supply for the present year at least as much as we can obtain cash for— Would it suit you to extend to us a longer credit, we would be happy to lay in our next year's supply this Spring— Unless you can do this the scarcity of cash in this country will compel us to abandon the iron trade with you, which we will regret. . . ."

"Capt Ward has been for some days within sixty miles of the place detained by the deep snow. I expect he will reach home in a few days, and unless he disappoints me I will immediately forward you the sum before named— I expected to have received from Capt John Smith, S. South west Point \$5200, which has been some time due, and as yet not one cent. With such disappointments, it requires sacrifices to be punctual."

461. JACKSON (ANDREW—7th President of the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Headquarters on the Mississippi above the Yazoo about 15 miles, February 12th 1813, 8 o'clock P M." To "Washington Jackson." With portrait, and biographical note.

"Being detained by the floating of the ice in the Ohio and Mississippi, and adverse wind, has occasioned me the necessity of sending on my Brigade Major William—Carroll, to meet the Cavalry at Washington . . . I hope to reach Natchez by the 15th instant—When I hope to have the pleasure of seeing you for my stay will be but a moment, unless I receive orders, there to disembark, and proceed over land to East Florida . . . will you be good enough to inform Major Carroll, whether you had my Note enclosing a notification to the Contractors quarter Muster to furnish the cavalry with ferrogand Rations, and what provisions has been made for them—any civilities you will please bestow on Major Carroll will be gratefully remembered by me. . . ."

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465. JACKSON (ANDREW—7th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Hermitage April 23rd, 1840." To "Robert I. Chester, Esqr, Marshall, Western District, Jackson, Tennessee." Address franked with Jackson's signature. With transcript, and portrait.

"... I am very apt to make mistakes between the sexes of children. I suppose it must be that I am more partial to the girls than boys—be this as it may, kiss the dear little Samuel for me, & present him with my blessing and at the same time my kind regards with that of my Household to your dear Elizabeth & the rest of the family. . . ."

466. JACKSON. (ANDREW—7th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Hermitage July 19th, 1843." To "Master A. J. Danelson," (Jackson's nephew). "*I have been waiting two or three days for your father to come over, with his letter presenting you for a Cadets warrant—I am anxious you should obtain it and have written Major Lewis . . .*" Also,—A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Novbr. 19th, 1836," relative to the appointment of Rev. Mr. Elliott as chaplain in the exploring expedition. With biographical note, and portrait.

467. JACKSON (ANDREW—7th President of the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Hermitage Jan'y 28th, 1844." To "Cadet James T. Armstrong."

"... Go on steadily in the path of subordination & of duty, and you will graduate with honor to yourself, and capacity to become the great Genl, when your country is invaded by a foreign foe, or intestine traitors. *"You are aware how much solicitude I have that you should graduate with honor & be prepared to sustain that high military character that your father has obtained, by his bravery, and honorable bearing in the last Indian & British War—Keep his, & your Grandfathers, military feelings & conduct allways in view, and you will realise the best hopes & wishes of all your friends."*

468. JACKSON (THOMAS J.—Lieutenant-General in the Confederate Army). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Hd. Qrs. 1st Brigade, Camp near Manassas, Aug. 6th, 1861." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"*I have found from valuable services rendered by our mutual friend E. F. Parton, that his rank is below his merit, and being satisfied that he deserves a majority I have so recommended him to Governor Litcher. . . .*"

469. JAMES (G. P. R.—English novelist). A.L.S., 3pp. 12mo, "The Hermitage, Brompton, 21st May, 1839." To [Thomas Noon Talfourd.] With transcript, and portrait.

"... Let me beg you to accept—though unworthy of your acceptance—this copy of a play which may perhaps never either be played or published. I would not dedicate it to you because you must be sick of such things; but I have left it without dedication as I did not wish to dedicate it to any one else. . . ."

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470. JAMES (G. P. R.—English novelist). A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo, "Willey House, Near Farnham Sury, 13th May, 1849." To "Mr. Allier." With transcript, and 2 portraits.

FINE LETTER RELATING TO TWO OF HIS WORKS.

"I am very much obliged to you for your exertions in favor of Rizzio. The proofs were submitted to me; and yet there are innumerable errors as you say. Where I corrected one, the printer made ten. . . . is Mr. Newby's particular whim to have the worst printers in Europe and not to believe that they are bad. . . . The same printer is printing my new romance called, The Woodman, which is a very good one. It will be full of the same faults. The man almost drives me mad by his stupid blunders; and the expense of correction will make the printing dearer to Mr. Newby than if he had employed the best printer in London; but he will have it so.

"In Rizzio I have no person interest and only wish it to succeed for Mr. Newby's sake and for its own. . . ."

471. JANAUSCHECK (FRANCESCA—Shakespearian actress). Autograph quotation, in English. Signed. 1p. 8vo, "Boston, June 18/72." With transcript, and 2 portraits, one of which is autographed.

*"Things without remedy
Should be without regard,
What's done, is done.*

"Lady Macbeth"

472. JANAUSCHECK (FRANCESCA—Shakespearian actress). A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo, "Brooklyn N. Y. May 14, '97." In English. With transcript, and photograph.

" . . . It is only this week that I took heart to look through my letters and search for the Manuscripts of Mary Stuart.—

"I am willing, and it will give me a pleasure, to lend you one of the books for your use and I only hope that my offer will not come too late.

"But before I send one of the books, let me explain to you what kind of Manuscripts I possess:

"One is what we call a 'Skeleton' book—it is the prompt book and contains all the part of the cast, but not the part of Mary Stuart. It was done in former years to prevent stealing a play. . . ."

473. JAY (JOHN—Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court; President of the Continental Congress). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Philadelphia 31 March, 1779." To "Majr. General Lincoln." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"You will receive this from the hands of Lieut. Colonel Laurens. This gentlemen's Zeal for the American cause, & his Bravery in support of it, have induced Congress to honor him with the Commission he now holds. His Excellency General Washington has in Compliance with the Colonel's Request, consented to his joining in the Defense of his native State; and it would be very agreeable to Congress that he should have a Command suitable to his Rank as soon as the Service in your Department will admit of it. Permit me to recommend him warmly to your attention. . . ."

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474. JAY (JOHN—Chief Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed 1789). L.S., 1p. 4to, "New York, 10th., Jan. 1786." To "The Sieur de la Forest, Vice Consul General of France in the United States." With transcript, and portrait.

"I have the Honor of returning to you herewith enclosed, the Brevet appointing you Vice—Consul General of his most Christian Majesty in the United States. . . ."

475. JAY (JOHN—Chief Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1789). L.S., 1p. 4to, "Albany, 16 July, 1799." To "Danl. Hale, Esq., Secy of the State." With transcript, and portrait.

"Prepare a Pardon for Andrew Clapsaddle who at a court of oyer and Terminer and goal Delivery held in and for the County of Herkimer in the month of June last was convicted of a Riotous attack made by him and others on the house of Michael Myers Esqr. Collector of the Revenue, and was thereupon sentenced to pay a fine of one hundred Dollars. The Pardon is to extend only to one half of the said Fine. . . ."

476. JEFFERSON (JOSEPH—eminent American actor). A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo, "Buzzards Bay, Mass June 3rd '91." To "Robt M. Sillard, Esqr." With transcript, and portrait.

AN EXCEEDINGLY FINE AUTOBIOGRAPHICAL LETTER.

"In reply to your question I beg to say that I was born on the 20th of Feb. 1829, in Philadelphia.

"You will find in my Autobiography several allusions to my intimate Theatrical Experiences with Mr. Dion Boucicault whose talents as a Dramatist and Stage Director were of a unique Character. He has been often accused of plagiarism and even worse, but his pilferings were always in good taste—he never stole cotton when he could get silk, and he embroidered his material so elaborately that the original texture was obscured.

"I met Barry Sullivan first in America in 1859. And afterwards in Australia where we acted together. . . . in a few words I may say that I consider the highest branch of acting to be poetic not real if an actor is merely imitative. He must see what he depicts if he be imaginative he will display a passion tho' he may never have seen it. A month ago I saw a child of 10 years of age depict madness and Death on the stage finer than any experienced actor of my time. I do not think that he ever saw either of these conditions.

"Great actors suggest they cannot imitate."

477. JEFFERSON (JOSEPH—eminent American actor). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Palm Beach, Fla., Jan. 7, 1901." To "Mr. Fischer." With transcript, and scarce lithographic portrait.

". . . I am glad that Mr. Warren bought a Picture not for the sake of the money but because he is a collector and an able critic. . . ."

478. JEFFERSON (JOSEPH—eminent American actor). A.L.S., 4pp. 12mo, "Chicago, Oct 7th 1901." To "Mr Fischer." With transcript, and portrait.

Making a present of a painting, probably one painted by himself, to the Art Institute, Pittsburgh.

"When in Pittsburgh I promised to give a picture to the Carnegie Art Institute. Will you be kind enough to have the largest one of the

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of the hangman, it has excited the most revolting sensations. the safety of the government absolutely required that it's ~~best~~ direction in it's higher departments should be taken into friendly hands. it's safety did not even admit that the whole of it's immense nation, should be left at the command of it's emissaries to be exercised secretly or openly to reestablish the tyrannical and decapitating system of the preceding administration, and their deleterious principles of government rigorous justice too required that as they had filled every office with their friends to the avowed exclusion of republicans, that the latter should be admitted to a participation of office, by the removal of some of them. This was done to the extent of about 20, only out of some thousands and no more was intended, but instead of their acknowledging it's moderation, it has been a ground for their more active inimity. ^{after a tumultuous trial} I have at length been induced to remove three or four more of those most marked for their bitterness and active zeal in slandering and in electioneering! whether we shall proceed any further will depend on themselves. those who are quiet, and take no part against that order of things which the public will has established, will be safe. those who continue to clamour against it, to slander & oppose it, shall not be armed with it's wealth & power for it's own destruction. the late removals have been intended merely as monitors. but such officers as shall afterwards continue to bid us defiance shall as certainly be removed as the case shall become known. a neutral conduct is all I ever desired: and thus the public have a right to expect. our information from every quarter is that republican principles spread more and more. indeed ^{the body of the people} may be considered as consolidated into one mass from the Delaware Southwardly & Westwardly. New Jersey is divided, & in New York a schism may render inefficacious that the great majority would be equal to. in your corner alone priestcraft & lawcraft are still able to throw dust into the eyes of the people. but, as the Indian says, they are clearing the dust of their eyes there also. the republican portion will at length see, & the sentiment of monarchism be left as dead at the bottom. except assurances of my affectionate esteem & high consideration.

Th: Jefferson

THOMAS JEFFERSON—PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

Autograph Letter, Signed. 1802

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Catskill Mountains sent there for me? . . . Direct to Mr. Beatty, Carnegie Institute Pittsburgh, Pa. . . . Mrs. J. joins me in most cordial regards to yourself & wife."

The last page contains a printed "Itinerary" of Jefferson's tour for the fall of 1901.

479. JEFFERSON (JOSEPH—eminent American actor). A.L.S., 3pp. 4to, "Buz-zard's Bay, Massachusetts May 21, 1904." To "Mr J. H. Benton Jr." With transcript, and scarce lithographic portrait.

" . . . I will call some day next week and see you about paying off the mortgage you hold on the property I lately purchased from Mr. Tuft. I will let you know at what day & time I will be at your office. . . ."

480. JEFFERSON (JOSEPH—eminent American actor). A.L.S., 1p. small 4to, "Buzzard's Bay, Massachusetts, May 30th, 1904." To "Mr Ben-ton." With portrait.

"I will be at your office with the money to pay off the mortgage on Saturday next."

481. JEFFERSON (THOMAS—3rd President of the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Monticello Aug. 28, 1802." To "Elbridge Gerry esq." With portrait, transcript, and biographical note of Jefferson.

A FINE POLITICAL LETTER. Goes into detail as to the conduct of Judge Gerry's brother while holding a government office and his removal from the same. Relative to other removals Jefferson writes,—

"The safety of the government absolutely required that it's direction in it's higher departments should be taken into friendly hands. it's safety did not even admit that the whole of it's immense patronage, should be left at the command of it's enemies, to be exercised secretly or openly to re-establish the tyrannical and delapidating system of the preceding administration, and their deleterious principles of government, vigorous justice too required that as they had filled every office with their friends to the avowed exclusion of republicans, that the latter should be admitted to a participation of office, by the removal of some of the former, this was done to the extent of about 20, only out of some thousands, and no more was intended, but instead of their acknowledging it's moderation, it has been a ground for their more active enmity. . . . whether we shall proceed any further will depend on themselves, those who are quiet, and take no part against that order of things which the public will has established, will be safe. those who continue to clamour against it, to slander & oppose it shall not be armed with it's wealth & power for it's own destruction. . . ."

[See Illustration]

482. JEFFERSON (THOMAS—3rd President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Monticello, Sep. 24, 1802." To "Josiah Smith esq, Pembroke, Massachusetts." Franked with Jefferson's signature. With transcript, biographical note, and portrait. Letter repaired with gauze.

"Your favor of the 8th is received . . . it recommended Wm. Goodwin of Plymouth, Capt. Robert Ellis of Hanover, Capt Joseph Hunt or Hurst of Marshfield, Danl. Snow of Bridgewater to be commissioners of bankruptcy for Plymouth county, or perhaps for that of Barnstable. . . ."

Dear Sir

Monticello Dec. 30. 17.

I returned from Hartford a week ago, after an absence of 6 weeks, and found here the Palladium, with your two favours, Nov. 29, & Dec. 18, with 2: from Dr. Cooper, written before he had received one from me of Nov. 25, from Poplar Forest.

It was agreed, you know, that we should make a report of our proceedings & prospects to the Gov. & our patron to be laid before the legislature. being myself chiefly possessed of the materials I have prepared the enclosed draught which I pray you to correct both in style & matter, to do this freely, & make it what it should be and to return it with your corrections by the bearer, who is sent express for this purpose. I think it very material that it should get to the legislature immediately, before they come to any resolutions on the general subject. I think it indispensable that each of us should write a circular to those gentlemen to whom we respectively sent subscription papers, & request the return either of the originals or copies of the subscriptions. I shall do it immediately myself and request the other gentlemen to do the same. on the last page of the inclosed is a ^{particular} statement of our affairs, which is not meant however to accompany the report, the general one it contains being deemed sufficient. I defer writing to Edinburgh until we can see what are the dispositions of the legislature, & whether they will adopt us, or help us. if neither, we can only write for a Professor of Languages, if either, we may then cut our coat according to our cloth. in the mean time, I think it will be best to appoint Doct^r. Cooper the Physiological & Law professor, as heretofore proposed, but to request him to suspend these functions and exercise those of Languages, until a classical Professor is provided.

THOMAS JEFFERSON—PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

Autograph Letter, Signed. 1817

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483. JEFFERSON (THOMAS—3rd President of the United States). A.N.S., 1p. 8vo, "Washington, Dec. 26, 1802." To "Mr. John Barnes." Note for "One hundred dollars." Endorsed on back. With biographical note, and portrait.

484. JEFFERSON (THOMAS—3rd President of the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Monticello Dec. 30. 17." To an unknown party. With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

Interesting letter relative to the University of Virginia: the appointment of professors and the building of dormitories.

"It was agreed, you know, that we should make a report of our proceedings & prospects to the Govr. as our patron to be laid before the legislature. . . . I think it very material that it should get to the legislature immediately, before they come to any resolutions on the general subject. . . . I defer writing to Edinburg until we can see what are the dispositions of the legislature, & whether they will adopt us, or help us, if neither, we can only write for a Professor of languages, if either, we may then cut our coat according to our cloth, in the mean time, I think it will be best to appoint Doctr. Cooper the Physiological & Law Professor as heretofore proposed, but to request him to suspend these functions and exercise those of Languages, until a classical Professor is procured this would allow him the 1000 D. salary of his proper professorship with the tuition fees of the numerous grammar scholars who will be crowding on us from the start. . . . I have not yet been able to engage our brick work. The workmen of Lynchburg asked me 15.D. a thousand, which I refused. I wrote to Mr Cabell to see what engagements could be obtained in Richmond. that and Lynchburg are our only resources, and I very much fear we shall have to give 13. if not 16. D. it is this advance of price which has raised my estimate of the pavilions & Dormitories to 7000 D. . . ."

[See Illustration]

485. JEFFERSON (THOMAS—3rd President of the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Monticello, June 19.25." To "Majr. Genl. Henry Dearborne." With franked address signed by Jefferson. Endorsed by Dearborne. With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

An interesting letter. Sends congratulation on Dearborne's recovery from a broken leg, and gives interesting details regarding the University of Virginia.

" . . . My health has become less certain, as might be expected with the advance of age. . . . it is principally inconvenient, as suspending my visits and attentions to our University, which occupies, at present, most of my time. it has been opened 3. months only, and we have 90 students, and others almost daily come in. we have been remarkably fortunate in the selection of the Professors which we sought from abroad. they are of the first order of science in their respective lines, correct, accomodating and very zealous in the promotion of their institution: and, so far, we have great reason to be satisfied also with the orderly disposition of our youths. none are received under 16. years of age, and in fact 2/3 of them are of 19. and upwards. we are just now putting into operation the means furnished by our legislature for procuring a very ample library and apparatus. we have no President, and no use for one as far as we yet see, and our Professors are the more contented. . . ."

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486. JEFFREY (FRANCIS, LORD—Scottish jurist). A.L.S., 2pp. 12mo. "E. I. College, Nr Hertford, 1 April, 1844." To "F. MacGill, Esqre, Glasgow." With transcript, and portrait.
- " . . . I have the greatest respect for Dr MacGill—and the highest opinion of his talents—as well as of his principles and character. I learn, therefore, with great satisfaction, that the world is to have such a memorial of him as you mention; and shall think it an honor to have my name in your list of Subscribers. . . ."
487. JOHNSON (ANDREW—17th President of the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Senate Chamber, Jan. 24th 1859." To "George A. Howard, Annapolis, Md." Addressed franked by Johnson. With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.
- " . . . There has been much said by my members in reference to increasing the salaries of the Naval officers since the commencement of the Session— At present I do not think there will be any increase made this winter— It is rather an unfavorable time for an increase of the expenditures of the Government in the shape of Salaries or otherwise. . . ."
488. JOHNSON (ANDREW—17th President of the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Senate Chamber, Dec. 20th, 1859." To "Mr. Geo. A. Howard." With addressed enveloped, franked with Johnson's signature. Transcript of letter, and biography of Johnson.
- Refers to rules governing vacations at the United States Military Academy. Mentions the appointment of Mr. Howard's brother as one of the "visitors," and refers to the trouble looming ahead as follows,—*"There is much talk about a desolution of the Union at this time; but I hope it will all blow off in a few months and thus all will again move on as it has heretofore."*
489. JOHNSON (ANDREW—17th President of the United States). Endorsement, signed in the autograph of Andrew Johnson as Military Governor of Tennessee. On back of letter by Brig.-Gen. Jno. F. Miller, dated, "Nashville, Tenn., July 24, 1864," ordering an additional patrol of 25 men and Non-Commissioned Officer. There is also an endorsement, on back, by Colonel J. W. Scully of the 10th Tennessee Regiment, relative to Brigadier General Miller's order. The endorsement by Johnson states that *"the additional detail of twenty-five (25) men ordered from Hd. Qrs. Post of Nashville, cannot be furnished. I require more than one hundred (100) men for special purposes."* With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.
490. JOHNSON (ANDREW—17th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Executive Mansion, Washington, Meh. 20th., 1866." To "Rev. W. B. Sprague, D.D., Albany New York." Answer to request for autograph. With biographical note, and portrait.
491. JOHNSON (ANDREW—17th President of the United States). Autograph Signature; Also, Printed ticket, admitting "Bearer" to the "U. S. Senate Gallery, April 11, 1868," at the Impeachment of President Johnson. With biographical note, and portrait.

492. JOHNSON (CAVE—Postmaster General under President Polk). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Clarksville, Nov. 8th. 1865." To "His Excellency Andrew Johnson, Pres. of the U. S." With biographical note, and portrait.

"Mr. Larkin Harard, a citizen of Christian Co. Kentucky, sends his petition for a pardon— My personal acquaintance with him is but slight, but I have long known his character as a plain, straightforward honest man, who may be relied upon in all the statements he makes. . . ."

493. JOHNSON (REVERDY—United States Senator from Maryland). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Annapolis, 22 Decr., 1830." To "Jonathan Meredith, Esqr., Washington;" Also,—A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Washn. 27 Sept., 1862." To "Mr. Charles H. Hayes (?) Troy, N. York," complying with request for autograph; Also,—A.L.S., 4pp. 4to, "Washn. 6 Novr., 1858." To "Govr. Wise, Richmond," regarding the Lawrence (Sloane) case, Seward's speech at Rochester, 1858, and the policy of the Administration in the Kansas troubles, etc., with all of which, taking the Southern viewpoint, he thoroughly disagrees. With transcripts, biographical note, and portrait.

The letter to Governor Wise is marked *Private* and reads in part,—

"I take for granted, that you have seen the recent Rochester speech of Seward, &, unless it turned your intellectual stomach, digested it. It is not only, it seems to me, the essence of demagoguicism, but the most dangerous, yet attempted. If a President is elected on the principles, or holding the principles here avowed, what good fortune can keep us together. And I fear, greatly fear, that the extraordinary course taken, & yet, it is said, intended to be pursued by the Adm., in regard to all who differ with them, on what they call the proper Kansas policy, will result, in so discouraging the democracy in the free States, as to make such a result, more than probable. I cannot account for such fatuity. The President, I am sure, means well, but he is not the wise man. I thought he would prove to be. The fact is, that the entire proceeding, as to Kansas, has been but blunders. . . ."

494. JOHNSON (REVERDY—United States Senator from Maryland). A.L.S., 3pp. 4to, "Balt. 18 Sept. '44." To "Messrs. W. Dearborn, Saml. H. Wallagh, Francis Heccinan, Jas. W. Tucker, Roxbury, Massachusetts." With address, biographical note, and portrait.

". . . In returning you, gentlemen, as I most sincerely do, my best thanks, for the honor your invitation has done me, I inform you, that it would have given me the truest gratification to have been around the council fires of such Whigs as I know are assembled at Roxbury today—to have heard what perfect patriotism is, from their lips & their deliberations. . . ."

495. JOHNSON (RICHARD M.—Vice-President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "21 Oct 1816." To "John Pope." With biographical note, and portrait.

"To recognize the official character of those before whom the Soldiers have made oath to their respective claims it is necessary that the Executive of the U. States should have the certificate of the Sec. of State to that effect . . ."

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496. JOHNSON (RICHARD M.—Vice-President of the United States; Colonel in Kentucky Regiment, 1813). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Cty of Washington, 28th, Nov. 1818." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"I have deposited with Richard Smith Esq 2000 \$ (some days ago) to meet a draft sold by Wm. S. Ballum to the F & M. Bk Lexington Ken for 2000 \$ due about the last of this month . . . I have made arrangements to pay other Bills made payable at the Bk of the U. States Pha. & if forwarded to Mr Smith I will Discharge them before due. . . ."

497. JOHNSON (RICHARD M.—United States Senator from Kentucky and Vice-President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Senate Chamber 25 Feb 1840." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

" . . . As to myself I am in the hands of my friends & Country and shall feel honored to be continued in their Service but no disgrace if they should find one more agreeable to their wishes. . . ."

498. JOHNSON (THOMAS—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1791). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "25 October 1815." To "Mrs. Lynn." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

" . . . amongst other additions my Opinions on the great late Events which I had drawn up for publication a little before the late Elections but I was disappointed in my Endeavors to get it into the Balt Federalist and since the Elections I have again got my paper and not long since I kept no Copy. . . ."

499. JOHNSON (WILLIAM—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1804). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Washington, 10th March, 1808." To "Mr. G. Simpson, Cashier, Bank U. S." With transcript, and portrait.

"I beg leave to apprise you that I have deposited with the Comptroller of the Treasury of the United States a Letter of Attorney authorizing the Bank of the United States to receive my Salary as a Judge of the Supreme Court U. S. . . ."

500. JOHNSON (WILLIAM—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1804). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Charleston, July 1st, 1825." To "Genl Van Ness." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"I am sorry to inform you that your Friend Ashton stands very little chance of getting the Clerkship. You cannot be ignorant of the League offensive & defensive that exists on our Bench, a League from which of Course the poor residuary Legatee of Republicanism must expect to be excluded. By accident I discovered at the last Session that the Office had already been disposed of in anticipation of Caldwell's Death. Mr Griffith is the happy man . . ."

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501. JOHNSON (WILLIAM SAMUEL—Judge of the Superior Court of the Colony of Connecticut, and first United States Senator from Connecticut). L.S., 3pp. 4to, "New York, Aug. 9th 1790." To "His Excellency Govr. Huntington." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait. Signed also by Oliver Ellsworth.

VERY FINE. Relates to Congressional acts and Indian treaty.

"In obedience to the Resolution of the General Assembly transmitted to us by your Excellency, we immediately executed a Deed of Session, to the United States of the Light Houses & its appendages at New London. . .

"About fifty Acts have been passed in the course of the Session; & altho' unanimity has not been attainable with respect to all of them the Session will nevertheless end in harmony with better prospects than it commenced.

"The act proposing a new loan of the domestick debt, which we herewith inclose, has taken up more time, than any other; & may be the subject of more animadversion. . . .

"As to Revenue, the most difficult acquisition in all Governments, 3,200,000 Dollars pr. an. will be requisite for the Civil List, Foreign debt & the new proposed Loan. For 2,600,000 Dollars of which, funds are already established by the Import & Tonnage Acts, for the remaining 600,000 which will not be wanted till January 1792 funds will be provided the next Session, and may probably consist of inland duties of different descriptions— Direct taxation will not be resorted to, but in case of a deficiency of other resources, which it is presumed will not happen, & at any rate cannot be large—

"The interest on the foreign debt, has this year been paid. . . .

"A Treaty, is now concluding with the Chiefs of the Creek Indians, who were induced to come here for that purpose. This Treaty, together with an Act that has passed to regulate trade & intercourse with the Indian Tribes, & the establishment of a few Military Posts along the frontiers, for the purpose of mutual protection; give us a right to hope for lasting peace with the Indian Nations— And it is with pleasure we add, that from the present aspect of their affairs, the United States have a right to look for peace, & respect from all Nations. . . ."

502. JOHNSTON (JOSEPH E.—General in the Confederate Army). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "White Sulphur Springs, July 30th, 1873." To "Benj. Etting, Esqr." With transcript, and portrait.

" . . . We left those Springs (Alleghany) because Mrs. Johnston thought that she had used the water long enough to derive all benefit from it, And she wished to try that of this Spring. The establishment was as well managed as any of the kind that we have seen—the buildings better and more extensive than those of the sweet Chalybeate. The grounds larger & I think handsomer, and the scenery more interesting. The Manager is very obliging, and the servants better than are usually found. . . ."

503. JOHNSTON (JOSEPH E.—General in the Confederate Army). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "White Sulphur Springs, August 31st, 1878." To "W. D. Phillips, Esqr." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

" . . . As the events of such a life as mine are little known, the only sketches of it in print may be classed among works of fiction. During the recent war, however, I had the highest Military rank—and therefore directed some important Military operations—an account of which was published by the Appletons. It was called by them Johnston's Narrative."

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504. JUSSERAND (JEAN A.—present French Ambassador to the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 12mo, "Ambassade de France à Washington Oct. 17, 08. To [Librarian of the Boston Public Library] requesting the loan of the Fitzmaurice Kelly edition of *Don Quixote*; Also,—A.L.S., 4pp. 12mo, "Ambassade de France à Washington Oct. 27, 08." To "Mr. Fleischner," thanking him and the Trustees of the Library for their kindness, acknowledging receipt of the required book, and sending his photograph to recipient as requested.

505. KANT (IMMANUEL—one of the greatest of modern philosophers). A.L.S., 3pp. 4to, "Apr. 19 1791." To "Magister Gensicher Esqr." IN ENGLISH. With transcript, and portrait.

AN EXCEEDINGLY IMPORTANT SPECIMEN. It is seldom that letters by Immanuel Kant in English are offered for sale.

"You would have given in your dissertation to every one, what is owing to him with regard to the history of the new astronomical knowledges, if at the end of your work, you would please to discriminate of that, what belongs to later ones and to remark that, what, though little and containing more happy conjectures than arguments, is however mine"

"1/ that the representation of the milky way, as a system of moving suns, resembling our planetary system, is given by me, Six years before the similar one, published by Lambert in his cosmological letters"

"2/ that the representation of the foggy stars, as a like number remote milky ways is not, as Erleben says in his natural philosophy 1172, p. 540, and as is still extant in the new edition, augmented by the counsellor Lichtenberg an idea, ventured by Lambert, who rather supposed them (at least one of them) to be obscure bodies, illuminated by neighbouring man. . . ."

With illuminating statements regarding the ring of Saturn, etc.

506. KEAN (CHARLES—English actor). A.L.S., 1p. 12mo, "Birmingham, 3 Nov. 1840." With transcript, and portrait.

"My dear Moran"

"Give us a line by way of announcement in the Globe to-morrow & in the Sun! and pray take care of us on Tuesday, after the opening night. . . ."

507. KEMBLE (CHARLES—eminent English actor). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "8 Craven Hill, Bayswater 6th May, 1826." To "Sir George Smart." With transcript, and portrait from the *European Magazine*, 1797.

"Reynolds executed your commands with perfect fidelity and I am much obliged by the trouble you have been kind enough to take on my account—may I trespass still further on your good nature, to give me your notion as to the disposition of the Stage during the Concert—whether there should be any instruments upon it &c . . ."

508. KEMBLE (FRANCES ANNE—eminent English actress). A.N.S., 1p. 8vo, (in the form of a personal card). With transcript, and portrait.

"Readings from Shakespeare Admit Mr Cushman & friend Frances Anne Kemble for the whole course."

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509. KEMBLE (FRANCES A.—eminent actress). A.L.S., 4pp. 12mo, "November 6th, 1875, Philadelphia." With transcript, and addressed envelope.

"I enclose my own autograph for your friend & regret very much that I have no particularly noteworthy American ones to send with it—I do not collect them & the few I have had have been begged of me long ago—I am sorry not to have the signatures of Mr. Emerson & General Sherman to send you . . ."

510. KEMBLE (FRANCES A.—eminent English actress). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "January 16th 1876, Philadelphia." To "Mrs. Greene." With transcript, and portrait.

" . . . I was very sorry not to be able to send Mr Greene any interesting American autograph but General Sherman's—I do not collect these myself and such of my friends as do are very apt to take from me any signature of any noteworthy person as soon almost as I receive it. . . ."

511. KENT (JAMES—Chancellor of the State of New York). A.N.S., 1p. 4to, "April 18, 1821." "In the Matter of Paul Hochstrasser, Sergeant of this Court." With transcript, biographical note, and 2 portraits. Relates to bill for necessary court expenditures.

512. KETCHUM (HIRAM—United States Senator from New York). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "New York Feby 29. 1850." To "Wm P. Fessenden (private)." With transcript.

" . . . But the truth is Webster never had any power with the late administration—he was regarded with suspicion; and dislike by Genl Taylor from the start. . . ."

513. KING (RUFUS—Signer of the Federal Constitution; United States Senator from New York; Minister to England). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Senate Chamber March 21 1816." To "Gen. Armstrong." With transcript, and portrait.

"I find you inclosed the military Bill—I understand it is on its way to us from the other House, whether amended or not I have not heard. . . ."

514. KING (WILLIAM R.—Vice-President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "11th. February, 1825." To the "Hon. S. L. Southard." With transcript, and portrait. Recommends William Slocum as Purser in the Navy.

515. KING (WILLIAM R.—Vice-President of the United States). A.L.S., 3pp. 4to, "Washington City February 12. 1851." To "My Dear Cate." With transcript.

A POLITICAL LETTER OF IMPORTANCE and with mention of Jenny Lind.

" . . . Why did you not accompany William & Margaret to New Orleans to hear the Succeedish Nightingale? She has a sweet voice, and her lower tones are exquisite—on the stage she is graceful, and looks beautiful; but seen by day light she is coarse and far from pretty— She is an enchanting songstress, . . . at any rate there will be no action on the exciting subject of Slavery, as the North seems to be fully aware that that is a matter which cannot be touched without endangering the Union— This will no doubt disappoint the fire eaters of the South, who

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Bennett Arms

Woburn

Middlesex

Dear Mr Redding.

Your letter of July 2
came to America just in time to
miss me, as I left for a few weeks in
England and has - very casually - followed
me here
In regard to what you want I will
do my best but I do not wish to
pledge myself till I have tried my
hand at the story of the V.C. and
seen how it is likely to turn out there
are not a few have deeds for which
the cross was won and it will be hard
to pick & choose. I am also away from
my books and I cannot just now get at
some rather curious newspaper comments
made when the V.C. was first given - after
the Crimea However I will get to work
as soon

Very sincerely

Rudyard Kipling

RUDYARD KIPLING—ENGLISH AUTHOR

Autograph Letter, Signed

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evidently hoped that something would be done to Justify their past action, and present designs— South Carolina is mad and unfortunately it has infused the venom of disunion into many in our own State from whom better things were expected— Time however and the calm reflection of our people will, I feel satisfied place them where they deserve to stand in public estimations. . . .

"P. S. I omitted to mention that Buchanan has just left here for his home in Lancaster; He was my guest for two weeks. He is in fine health, and very good spirits— His Presidential stock is rising in the market."

516. KINGLAKE (ALEXANDER WILLIAM—English historian). A.L.S., 2pp. 16mo, "28, Hyde Park Place, Marble Arch, W June 8." To "General Badeau." With transcript, and portrait.

"My movements of late have been under the controul of a young niece who makes me ride with her at her own times, & I was prevented from taking advantage of your invitation on Thursday last, but I am not the less sensible of your kindness."

517. KINGSLEY (CHARLES—English clergyman and author). A.L.S., 6pp. 8vo, "Eversley Wednesday." To "Dear Parker." With transcript, and portrait.

VERY FINE LITERARY LETTER. Reads in part,—

"Enclosed is the sketch of Hypatia. Now about Captain Digby Grand. I have gone carefully through it, & think it excellent. There is throughout plain honest unaffected drawing, lively enough for any one, because evidently drawn from life. The father, Burgonet, Levanter, Fanny Jones, are all real people of flesh & blood, whether portraits or not (I seem to myself, Hough, to recognize a well known physiognomy in Burgonet) The whole Fanny Jones episode is perfect, very delicately told, & yet pathetic, because he has not tried to make it pathetic, but simply given the facts. That objective power of sketching makes me very hopeful about him. It comes out very well, too, in the scuffle with the four-year-old, wh. made my blood tingle as I read it—perhaps I have a peculiar appreciation of a saddle scene, from certain experiences in that line."

518. KIPLING (RUDYARD—English author). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Tisbury Wilts. Ap. 27. 94." To "Thomas Hutchinson, Esq." With transcript, and portrait.

"Your sonnet to hand. Yours is indeed a deadly trade—the hobby of autographing—but after you have climbed into verse in chase of your object I should be churlish to refuse to send you what you need."

519. KIPLING (RUDYARD—English author). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Bennett Arms, Tisbury, Wiltshire." To "Mr. Rideing." With transcript, and portrait.

"Your letter of July 2 came to America just in time to miss me, as I left for a few weeks in England. . . . In regard to what you want I will do my best, but I do not wish to pledge myself till I have tried my hand at the story of the V. C. and seen how it is likely to turn out. There are not a few brave deeds for which the cross was won and it will be hard to pick & choose. I am also away from my books and I cannot just now get at some rather curious newspaper comments made when the V. C. was first given—after the Crimea. . . ."

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Paris July 26th 1828

Your letters are very rare, my dear friend. You are very much wanted and anxiously welcomed here with these lines by an amiable young lady, daughter to a Dutch general of a good merit and herself a commendable girl, having been educated at her father's school to you and one brother of the same family. She has been in the capital very kind to me and I cannot tell when Mr. Amable Gungl will be in Paris for the pleasure of your acquaintance. My brother is quite restored. The family are divided to a great degree, leaving my colleague George and Virginia with the daughter. The latter of whom will introduce of these much many other amiable young men, I remember to our friends at Washington to your brother and the common family. I am, my dear friend, to your dear brother and children. I am very much affected by your kind regards. I am, my dear friend, your friend.

Wm. L. Gungl

Washington City

MARQUIS GILBERT MORTIER DE LAFAYETTE

Autograph Letter, Signed. 1828

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520. LAFAYETTE (GILBERT MORTIER, MARQUIS DE—eminent French soldier). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Paris, July 28, 1828." To "Mrs. Bumford, Washington City." With transcript, and portrait. The addressed portion of the outside wrapper accompanies the letter.

FINE LAFAYETTE LETTER, WRITTEN IN ENGLISH, and which reads,—
"Your letters are very Rare, my dear friend, Yet are they much wanted and most tenderly welcomed. I now write these lines by an amiable young lady daughter to a dutch General of great merit, and Herself a Connecticut girl, Having been educated at New Haven which to you and me makes of Her a Country woman. She has been in that capacity very kind to me and I cannot better Return Her American Sympathies than in procuring for Her the pleasure of your Acquaintance. My Health is quite Restored: the family are dispersed to several Springs, excepting my Colleague George and Virginia Castigne with Her daughters the elder of whom will within the course of next month marry a very amiable young man. Remember me to our friends at Washington, to your Brother and the Commodore's family when you write, to your dear Husband and children. You know how affectionately I am Your loving friend."

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521. LAFAYETTE (GILBERT MORTIER, MARQUIS DE—eminent French soldier). A.L.S. (in French), 1p. 4to, "Paris, April 18, 1829." With transcripts in English and French, and portrait.

A partial English translation reads,—

"It is with pleasure, my dear Lord, that I have read your name in the list of directors of the new University of London . . . Nevertheless, I owe to one of the candidates, Frederic de George, the justice of saying that on the occasions suitable for characterizing friends, I have found in him all which can inspire the interest and the attachment which I have vowed for him. . . ."

522. LAFAYETTE (GILBERT MORTIER, MARQUIS DE—eminent French soldier). A.L.S. (in French), 3pp. 8vo, "January 29, 1831." With transcript, printed biographical account, and 2 portraits, one of which is on India paper.

English transcript reads in part,—

"I have many excuses to offer Madame, for the delay in my reply and nevertheless you could not oblige me more than by giving me an opportunity to be useful to Monsieur, your brother.

"I have written to three persons who will be eager to offer him the nevertheless you could not oblige me more than by giving me an opportunity to be useful to Monsieur, your brother.

"I have written to three persons who will be eager to offer him the services in their power.

"One is the son of the last Governor and my attorney for the few interests that remain to me in that country.

"The other a Frenchman established a long time in New Orleans. . . ."

523. LAMAR (LUCIUS Q. C.—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1888). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Thursday 12th, 1888." To "Mr. Nordhoff." With transcript.

"I understand from your note the misconception to which my action is being subjected; & also the effect which is being produced on your

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mind—which I am made painfully aware is fired. And yet I must say to you that I never did any act with less reference to personal motives, & with more direct reference to what I felt it my duty to do than when I dispensed with Lebarues services. . . ."

524. LANDSEER (SIR EDWARD—English animal painter). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "June 28th 1843." To "Mr. Maynard." With transcript, and portrait.

"Thanks for your kind remembrance of my Temple Church order. Every Day this week (and all day long) I frescoize at B Palace, so that I must beg you to postpone till the Lord's day, or next week your proposed visit here,—when I shall be at work again in my own studio."

525. LANDSEER (SIR EDWARD—English animal painter). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo (unfinished). "Saturday, My." To ———. With portrait.

"I am obliged to go out of town this M. but shall be back again on Tuesday—and will call on you to make further arrangements. . . ." for the [d.p. of WTH U]

526. LANGTRY (LILLIE—eminent English actress). A.L.S., 4pp. 12mo, "Tuesday, Jany. 3 - 1844." With transcript, and portrait.

" . . . All the four papers of St. Louis are unanimous in their praise, which I think is a great triumph considering especially their treatment of me last year. . . . I shall write to you next week about the coming season at Niblos. . . ."

527. LATHROP (J.). A.L.S., 4pp. 4to, "Washington, March 15-1841." With transcript. Long and most interesting political letter, with frequent mention of Clay, Blair and others.

528. LAURENS (HENRY—American Statesman; President Continental Congress). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Charleston, S. Carolina, 29th Feby. 1788." To "John M. Intosh, Esquire, St. Simon's Island, Georgia." With address, biographical note, and portrait.

FINE LETTER.

"Being on a little business in this city, which is not my home, but [Mepkin] about 30 Miles from hence, I received four days ago your favor of the 11th. inst. I am conscious of having received two or three Letters from you before this, but having enjoyed little or no health for a long time past I have not been attentive to business & I know not at this moment where to lay my hand on them.

"I remember one contained an Aust. for resurveying New Hope Land about £22, or £23, which I had flattered my self had been comprehended in a Sum of £100, for which your Father drew bills upon me & which I have paid; undoubtedly a very heavy charge on that land, I assure you it fell very heavily upon my reduced Estate.

"But if not included in that £100, the charge appeared to me too high, for such a resurvey or that Georgia Money was not of equal value with the Money of this State, but for the present waving these considerations on account of your distressed circumstances driven by the Indians from your habitation, should Mr. Cashier the bearer of your Letters of the 11th call on me I will pay him as much Money for your use as I can possibly spare, you will at a future opportunity explain your account & the course of EXchange more fully. . . ."

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529. LEE (ROBERT E.—General in the Confederate Army). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Fort Hamilton, 31 May, 1841." To "Mess. E. & Q. W. Blunt, N. York." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"Please send by the Bearer the levels of my theodolite if repaired. If they are not repaired I must ask you to loan me a theodolite as I can wait no longer for mine. . . ."

530. LEE (ROBERT E.—General in the Confederate Army). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Lexington M: 10 Apl. 1867." To "Mr. Henry B. Dawson." With transcript, newspaper and magazine clippings containing notes and portraits of Lee. All neatly mounted.

"I have delayed replying to your letter of the 9th Ult: until I could have it in my power to acknowledge the reception of the copy of Stony Point, which you advised me you had kindly sent. . . ."

"I am very much obliged to you for your offer of aid & feel assured that your access to historical papers & works as well as your personal knowledge of past events, would render your assistance very valuable, but I do not purpose to give more than a biographical sketch of my father's life to serve as an introduction to a new edition of his memoirs. . . . I have introduced some of his correspondence with Green, Wayne, Reed, &c. which bore on the narrative."

531. LEGARÉ (HUGH SWINTON—American Statesman; Secretary of State, 1843). A.L.S., 3pp. 4to, "Washington, May 24, '43." To "W. B. Lawrence, Esqr." With biographical note, and portrait.

Regarding an historical pamphlet. Makes mention of the writer's official position (head of foreign relations).

532. LEVER (CHARLES—popular Irish novelist). A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo, "Florence, Feby 28/50." With transcript, and portrait.

AN EXCEPTIONALLY FINE LETTER RELATIVE TO AGREEMENT WITH HIS PUBLISHERS FOR PUBLISHING FUTURE EDITIONS OF HIS WORKS.

" . . . I suppose that the legal arrangements which Geoghegan will have to draw up,—regard our copartnery—& now I should like to know distinctly how we stand, for instance there are books over some of wh I retain full right—others a partial one (viz., "Lorrequer O'Leary—Knight—Roland &c.) Now how do you propose an arrangement respecting these as regards the new issue. A very short cut occurs to me—if you would accede to it, & I do not think it unreasonable—it is this—make my present, i. e. forthcoming books £100. per No. vice £90—& at once state in our contract that of every book written by me, & to be written & published by you—the moiety of the copyright as regards a new edn is yours while I have no lien or claim upon the old edn.

"By this I give up all the recutting questions of peddling away sets & we stand upon terms—short—intelligible & I think equitable. I obtaining a small help to drag me through the slough of despond. We have always been on frank & open terms together & if what I suggest be not fair or suitable, you will say so, & I tell you as candidly—that I refer myself to your decision in the matter as tho' you were an umpire & not a party in cause.—"

"I do not yet know if I have myself quite clear in what I suggest—it is this—that for £100. per No. I give up the "Dutton's"—as regards the forthcoming Ed: & only have a moiety in the new issue—& so, of all the past—besides—rolla—Is that comprehensible? . . ."

Washington, Feb. 11. 1849
Mr. A. Crafts, Esq.
Dear Sir.

Yours of the 31st of Jan. is received two or three days since. I know Mr Asa. Lee Thayer, and have the impression that he is not able to pay any thing. Besides, his brother Martin Thayer, of Philadelphia, he has a brother, Joseph Thayer, at Springfield, Illinois, who is, pecuniarily, in good circumstances. Still, my impression of Asa Lee is as I have stated; but, lest I be mistaken, I send you letter to a friend in Springfield, with the request that he will ascertain the material facts and write you.

Yours Obedt Servt
A. Lincoln

ABRAHAM LINCOLN—PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

Autograph Letter, Signed. 1849

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533. LIDDON (HENRY PARRY—English clergyman, canon and chancellor of St. Paul's London). A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo, "Brislington, Bristol, Jan. 18th, 1870." To "Rev. George C. Berkeley." With transcript. Relating to a published work, with mention of Dr. Pusey, who was prominent in the "Oxford movement."

534. LINCOLN (ABRAHAM—16th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Washington, Feb. 6. 1849." To "Wm. A. Crafts, Esq." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"... I know Mr. Asahel Thayer, and have the impression that he is not able to pay anything. Besides his brother, Martin Thayer of Philadelphia, he has a brother, Joseph Thayer, at Springfield, Illinois, who is, pecuniarily, in good circumstances. . . ."

[See Illustration]

535. LINCOLN (ABRAHAM—16th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Springfield, May 27, 1859." To "Hon. S. W. Fuller." With newspaper clippings relative to Lincoln and his assassination, and a note of Lincoln's life; also portrait of Lincoln.

"In thinking over the *Fasni* case it seems to me the part by the plaintiff will be to prove that the bond sued on was, in fact, accepted, and that the injunction was dissolved, not for want of a sufficient bond, but for want of Equity on the Bill—That, I think, is the point for us to guard."

The case referred to in this letter—"Fasni vs. Tesson" is reported in *Black's Report of the Supreme Court of the United States*.

[See Illustration]

536. LINCOLN (ABRAHAM—16th President of the United States). N.S., 1p. 12mo, "Springfield, Ill. June 7th, 1860." To "Albert Daggett." In reply to a request for his autograph; Also,—Autograph signature,—"*Abraham Lincoln*," on signed portion of document, dated "Washington, 13th June, 1862;" Also,—Autograph signature,—"*Yours truly A. Lincoln*," cut from letter or note. With A.L.S. by Robert Lincoln, 2pp. 8vo. To "Mr. Benton," referring to scarcity of his father's signatures.

537. LINCOLN (ABRAHAM—16th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Executive Mansion, Washington, Oct. 9, 1863." To "Hon. Secretary of War" (Stanton). With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"Mrs. Thomas G. Clemson is a daughter of the late Hon. John C. Calhoun, and now residing near Bladensburg in Maryland. She understands that her son, Calhoun Clemson, is now a prisoner of War to us at 'Johnson's Island'; and she asks the privilege merely of visiting him. With your approbation, I consent for her to go."

Endorsed in pencil, by Stanton,—"*Any written communication may be forwarded under cover & unsealed through Col. Hoffman.*"

[See Illustration]

Springfield, May 27. 1859
Hon. S. W. Fuller

Dear Sir

In thinking over the
Harris case it seems to me the prob-
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the bond sued on was, in fact, ac-
cepted; and that the injunction
was dissolved, not for want of a
sufficient bond, but for want of
Equity on the Vice. That, at least,
is the point for us to guess.

Yours truly

A. Lincoln

ABRAHAM LINCOLN—PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

Autograph Letter, Signed. 1859

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538. LINCOLN (ABRAHAM—16th President of the United States). A.N.S., 1p. 12mo, "Dec. 9. 1864." With reproduction in facsimile, biographical note, and portrait.

"I shall be glad if any Department or Bureau can give employment to the discharged soldiers."

539. LINCOLN (LEVI—Attorney General of the United States, and Secretary of State pro tem). A.L.S., 4pp. 12mo, "Worcester Mass. Feby 16 1867." To "Hon. John I. Baldwin M C." With transcript.

After stating how a young man who called himself "Capt. Dyer" had imposed upon him, he states: ". . . In reference to the 'impeachment of the President', I entirely concur with you, that it should not be thought of. Such a proceeding would produce agitation and apprehension throughout the Country, the like of which has never before been witnessed; and the trial, what with the generality and vagueness of accusation, the questions of Constitutional provision and construction, the testimony, the argument upon every point, and at every stage, and the deliberation for interfectory opinions, as well as final judgment, would exhaust the term of another Congress. . . ."

540. LINGARD (JOHN—eminent English historian). A.L.S., 3pp. 4to, "Hornby, Lancaster, Jany. 2nd 1814." To "Edward Jenningham, Esqr. 5 Lincoln-Inn-Field, London." With portrait.

"I am sorry that I have not in my power to answer your queries as satisfactorily as I would wish. When I printed the antiquities of the Anglo-Saxon church, I conceived that I had done with Anglo-Saxon literature, and deposited in the library at Usher College, before I left that establishment, all my books that treated on the subject."

"I do not recollect that I ever met with the 'Hail Mary' in the form of a prayer in that language. Indeed it is not likely that I should. For, if I am not much mistaken, it was only in the thirteenth or fourteenth century that it began to be employed as a prayer, and then only the first two parts. The third part, taken from the council Ephesus, was added in the fifteenth century. I may not perhaps be perfectly accurate in the date, but I cannot be far wrong. The Anglo-Saxons had their belts of Potr noctus, but no heads of Hail Mary &c. . . ."

541. LIVINGSTON (BROCKHOLST—Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court; Lieutenant-Colonel on the staff of General Schuyler during the American Revolution, with Arnold at the surrender of General Burgoyne). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "January 27, 1817." To "The Hon. Wil. Jones, Prest. B. U. S. Philadelphia." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"I am requested to forward to you the enclosed letter from our Chief Justice recommending Mr. Alanson Douglass as Cashier of the office of discount & deposit at Cincinnati. . . ."

542. LIVINGSTON (BROCKHOLST—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1806). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, To "Mr. Isaac Gouverneur." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"I enclosed the correspondence between your house & Mr. Le Guen to Mr. Cozine yesterday morning, & requested him to examine it with attention so as to have his opinion ready by to morrow—If you will call upon me at eleven in the morning I will accompany you to his office."

"I have seen Mr. Harison. He tells me Le Guen has an opinion of the kind you mentioned, but declared implicitly that the opinion did not define the nature or extent of your responsibility. . . ."

Executive Mansion,

Washington, Oct. 9....., 1863.

Hon. Secretary of War

Sir— Mrs Thomas
G. Clemson is a daughter of the
late Hon. John C. Calhoun, and
is ~~now~~, now residing near
Bladenburg in Maryland.
She understands that her son,
Calhoun Clemson, is now a pris-
oner of War to us at "Johnson's
Island"; and she asks the
privilege merely of visiting him.
With your approbation, I consent
for her to go.

Yours truly

A. Lincoln

ABRAHAM LINCOLN—PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

Autograph Letter, Signed. 1863

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543. LIVINGSTON (EDWARD—American Statesman; United States District Attorney; Mayor of New York). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "27 Feby., 1824." To "General Harper." With address, biographical note and portrait. Sending a letter of introduction and with mention of his brother-in-law, Mr. Davizee.
544. LIVINGSTON (EDWARD—American Statesman; United States District Attorney; Mayor of New York). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Washington, 17 Apl., 1824." To "Mathew Carey, Esq. Philada." With address, transcript, biographical note, portions of wax seal and portrait. Regarding pamphlets on the Tariff, and stating that they contain "*. . . many instructive facts and strong arguments.*"

545. LIVINGSTON (ROBERT R.—Delegate from New York to the Continental Congress; Secretary for Foreign Affairs; Minister to France). A.L.S., 4pp. 4to; "ClerMont 25th Sepr 1811." (?) To "Colo William Duane." With transcript, and portrait.

AN EXCEEDINGLY IMPORTANT AND LENGTHY LETTER, WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO BENJAMIN FRANKLIN.

"*. . . It would afford me great pleasure to give you any information that might contribute to vindicate the character of the statesman & philo—in whom as an American I feel a pride, & to whom I was personally attached having while I served with him in Congress enjoyed us much of his society as was compatible with the difference in our ages. Your letter is the first instruction I have had that his character would require support or illustration having considered it as sealed by the confidence that his country had so often manifested in his talents & integrity, & by the general applause of Europe. When I left France I determined to quit all political pursuits, & to devote what remained of my life, to those, which, without being quite useless to society would leave me the tranquillity suited to my age, . . . & have not seen that to which you allude so that I know not on what points Dr. Franklin has been arraigned, or of course how to reply to your inquiries. All I can say therefore is that there was, during his mission in France a small party in Congress to whom he was not perfectly agreeable, & as I then believed, rather on the score of little differences that had originated in our corps diplomatic in Europe (several of whom had returned & had seats in Congress) than for any public cause, for I never heard any assigned, but that his age unfitted him for the activity necessary to his station, & that it was proper on that account, to give him a coadjutor, which it was often pressed upon me to be, & as often publicly declined from a conviction of the perfect competence of the minister to the performance of every duty required by his situation. To remove him was never thought of nor have I ever heard the slightest surmise of his wanting the skill, the patriotism, & the independence of his station. His success, & his public letters, will be lasting monuments of his talents & his address. . . ."*

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546. LOCKHART (JOHN G.—British author and poet). A.N.S., 1p. 8vo. No place, no date. With portrait.

West Hill 28th Sept. 1811

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"I have rec^d your favour of the 15th inst^l. It would of-
-fend me great pleasure to give you any information that might
contribute to vindicate the character of the station as a whole.
In doing so so however I feel a pride, & I know I was personally
established having while I served with him in Congress enjoyed
so much of his society as was compatible with the difference
of our ages. And this is the first information I have had
that his character would require support or other notice.
Having considered it as sealed by the confidence that his
country had so often manifested in his talents, & integrity,
& by the general applause of Europe. When I left France
I determined to give up political pursuits, & to devote what
remained of my life, to those, which without being quite
useful to society would leave me the tranquillity suited
to my age, & not call forth those vainable professions that
is difficult for one much engaged in politics totally
to renounce. I have not therefore extended any
business

ROBERT R. LIVINGSTON—REVOLUTIONARY STATESMAN
Autograph Letter, Signed. 1811
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547. LOGAN (JOHN A.—Brigadier General in the Civil War). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Chicago, Ills. Aug. 10 1883." To "L. P. Morton." With transcript, biographical account, and portrait
"The bearers Mr. & Mrs. George Buck of Chicago are special friends of mine and I shall be greatly obliged for any courtesy shown them."
548. LONG (JOHN D.—Governor of Massachusetts). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Law Office of Allen, Long & Hemenway, No. 5 Tremont St Boston Jany 31 1891," an answer to the question as to the requisites for a lawyer; Also,—A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "337 Tremont Building. Boston, Dec 16 1905." To "J. H. Benton Jr. 102 Ames Bldg.," relative to a meeting of the Bar Association; Also,—L.S., 1p. 4to, "337 Tremont Building, Boston, Dec 29th, 1904." To "Col. J. H. Benton, Ames Building, Boston," relative to his numerous engagements.
549. LONG (JOHN D.—Governor of Massachusetts). A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo, "Hingham, Mass., May 7, 1913." To "Mrs. Sarah H. Trumbull Beverly Mass." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.
" . . . How vividly your name recalls the Westford days. As I recall them, it seems as if they were always Spring & Summer days—with apple blossoms and luxuriant foliage. Again I walk over your hill & enter your door way and sit in your parlor, and see the piano. And the windows are open & the fields outside are green. Somebody is driving home the cows and they lazily climb the hill. . . ."
550. LONGFELLOW (HENRY WADSWORTH—American poet). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Cambridge Jan. 10, 1866." With biographical note, and portrait.
" . . . I am much obliged to you for your friendly offer, but as I never employ an amanuensis, I am forced to decline it."
551. LONGFELLOW (HENRY WADSWORTH—American poet). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, Portland, Feb. 13, 1841." To "Professor Cleveland, Brunswick." With address, biographical note, and portrait.
"I send you a pipe-full of German Tobacco; hoping it may please you, being mild and fragrant. If you like it, I will send you a larger quantity, and then come and smoke some of it with you, though not this winter. . . ."
552. LORING (EDWARD G.) AND OTHERS. D.S., 2pp. 4to, "Boston, Sept. 8, 1838." "To the Honorable the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court." Regarding a vacancy for the position of "Crier."
553. LOSSING (BENSON J.—American historian and wood engraver). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Poughkeepsie, N. Y. Aug. 8, 1866." To "Jno: S. H. Fogg, M.D." With biographical note, and portrait.
"When I was about to leave for the South, early in March, Mr. Alford, the printer, who had delayed printing the Banner of the South Carolina Convention on the India paper that you sent me, promised to print them at once, and send them to you. I desired him to print a few copies for myself, on common tinted paper, to hand to friends. . . ."

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554. LOWELL (JAMES RUSSELL—American poet; essayist and critic). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Legación de Los Estados Unidos de America, en Espana, 9 Jany, 1879." To "Greenough." With biographical note, and portrait.

"I have made enquiry about the duplicate Bibles in the King's library & find that they are to be sold. I could think of no way in which to ask for them as a gift that would not give offence. The Spanish Government are very liberal of the books they publish, but this was another affair.

"I have also taken some pains to inform myself about the correction of proof of the Ticknor catalogue, about which I heard through Mr Riano, & find that it cannot be done for anything like the price you seem to expect. To do it well would require a person of special knowledge & such are always costly. Mr. Riano would be very fit if he could be persuaded to undertake it, but he is a man of many occupations. . . ."

555. LOWELL (JAMES RUSSELL—American poet, essayist and critic). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "10, Lowndes Square, S.W. 7th, Oct. 1881." To "Miss Boyle." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait. Letter written on mourning paper.

"Your handwriting grows more difficult to read as you get younger (which you do daily) & I attribute it to your printing your letters as children do who are clever & teach themselves. Persevere, & you will write a very good running hand one of these days. . . . But forgive my nonsense, dear Miss Boyle. Your note was full of your own goodness of heart & gay humour & so you may be sure I was very glad to get it. I know nothing of my own fate about which you are so kindly anxious. . . . At any rate I shan't be struck by lightning, but shall be allowed time to pack my portmanteau & make a graceful exit. . . . I am off tomorrow for Italy which will be to me like the sight of the sea to ten thousand. . . ."

556. LOWELL (JOHN—Delegate from Massachusetts to Continental Congress). A.L.S., 1p. small 4to, "Saturday Morning." To "Mr. Jos. Whipple at Portsmt." With transcript. On legal matters.

557. LYMAN (THEODORE—American philanthropist). A.L.S., 1p. 4to. To ———. With transcript, biographical note, and portrait. On educational matters with mention of Professor Pierce.

558. LYNDBURST (BARON JOHN SINGLETON COPLEY—Chancellor of England). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "St. Leon. on Sea, Novr. 1." To "Mrs. Orme." With transcript, and portrait.

"I hear you are in high spirits and full of gayety! You are consoling yourself for your husband's absence. He seems to have greatly distinguished himself in his new position which must be a source of great gratification to you as it is to all his friends at this place. . . ."

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- 559 LYON (MATTHEW—American politician; established the first printing press in Kentucky). A.L.S., 3pp. 4to, "Washington, Decemr. 12. 1804." To "Stephen Jacobs, Esqr. Windsor, Vermt." With transcript, and biographical note.

FINE POLITICAL LETTER.

"... I thought the firmness with which I had ever opposed what I thought tended to the injury of republicanism would have secured to me the confidence of the Democrats of Vermont & that I might be allowed to oppose my opinion to that of Some wise men of the South . . . Experience has taught me in Vermont that a Legislative body is of all others the most incompetent to the adjudication of disputes about property, this would have been sufficient with me had not our Sacred Constitution forbid Usurpations of this kind. My popularity was attacked in my district on the score of not following those wise men without success, I was opposed in my last Election by a Gentleman of the first Character & talents in the State of Kentucky having the Superiority of being a Virginian born. . . ."

560. LYON (MATTHEW—American politician; established the first printing press in Kentucky). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "New York, 11th April, 1809." To "Charles W. Goldborough, Esqr. Acting Secy. of the Navy, Washington." With biographical note, and transcript.

"I am at this moment at the house of my old friend Col. John Graham & have seen your two letters to him of the 6th. & 7th concerning his Son believing as I do that my name will have some weight with you I cannot for a moment withhold it from the Son of an old friend . . ."

561. LYTTON (EDWARD ROBERT BULWER—Owen Meredith). A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo, "Knebworth, Novr. 15 1865." To "Hayward," probably Abraham Hayward, the essayist. With transcript, and portrait.

Mentions Lord Palmerston, W. E. Gladstone and others.

"I am much obliged by your very interesting letter, & the sight of your able, temperate & wise article in Frazer. You have admirably noted the extraordinary peculiarity of Palmerston that he went on improving to the last. . . ."

"I suppose Wm Cooper will live eno' to justify a pccrage. I never heard that the sale of the island constituted any cause for my brother's quitting the Embassy to Constantinople—He has not yet informed me of all the reasons for his resignation. . . . Lord Russell's difficulties are great. Those of his successor, whether Gladstone or another, will, perhaps be greater. . . ."

562. LYTTON (EDWARD ROBERT BULWER—Owen Meredith). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo. No place, no date. To "Mr. Chapman." With transcript, and portrait.

"Pray be so kind as to let me know if you have received the ms. & proofs for the new Edition of poems, which were sent to you from Vicana, thro the F. O. to the care of Conyngham, more than a month ago. . . . Let me know if Amasis is selling at all. . . ."

563. MACAULAY (THOMAS B.—English critic and historian). A.L.S., 5pp. 8vo, "Albany, November 19, 1811." With transcript, and portrait.

FINE LETTER, GIVING HIS OPINION OF SPENSER, THE POET.

"... I do not know that we differ in judgment about Spenser. But there is a liking which does not depend on the judgment. I see Rousseau's genius as clearly as any of his admirers. But he does not attract me. I read *Gil Blas* once a year; and I do not care if I never see Rousseau's novel again. It is the same with painting. I know that the *Raising of Lazarus* in the National Gallery is a great work; and I partly feel its merit. But I look at it with little or no pleasure, and should be very little concerned if I heard that it was burned. On the other hand there are pictures of much less fame and power which, if I could afford it, I would hang over my fire-place, and look at half an hour every day. So with female beauty. If a man were to say that Mrs Siddons was not a fine woman, we should think that he must have no eyes. But a man might well say that, though a fine woman, she did not attract him, that she did not hit his taste, and that he liked Miss Poole's or Miss O'Neil's looks better. Just so I say about Spenser. To deny him the rank of a great poet would be to shew utter ignorance of all that belongs to the art. But his excellence is not the sort of excellence in which I take especial delight. . . ."

564. MACAULAY (THOMAS B.—English critic and historian). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "London, May 26, 1846." To "Mr. Kemble." With portrait.

"... I stand in need of some encouragement. For I am much vexed at being under the necessity of opposing many whom I greatly respect and with whom on commercial questions I have been accustomed to act. And the pain which their disapprobation gives me is by no means compensated by the cheers and eulogies of the protectionists. . . ."

565. MCCARTHY (JESSE—English historian; author of "History of Our Own Times"). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Northern Times Office, Liverpool, May 8th, 1851." To "F. Freiligrath, Esq." With transcript, and portrait.

"... I have translated the whole of your poems to be found in the Stuttgart edition of 1855 with the exception of four or five which I had not quite completed up to the time of my letter to you. These of course do not include the political poems. . . . if you desire it I shall complete the poems of which I have not yet quite finished the translation. It will afford me great pleasure to combine our projects in any way you think fit. Indeed I can only say that my translations, if you think them worth having, are fully at your disposal, either to adopt the whole or any portion which may suit your purpose. My original purpose was, if I should be so fortunate as to obtain your approval of my translations and your revision of them, to publish them as a volume in themselves, but I need not say that the public would receive a volume issued under your own hand and with translation of your own selection, with infinitely greater gratification than any volume coming merely from an unknown translator. . . ."

566. McCLELLAN (GEORGE B.—Major-General in the Civil War). Two A.L's.S., each 1p. 8vo, "May 19, 1864" and undated. To "F. S. Coggins," and "F. B. Rose." With transcripts, biographical account, and portrait. Both personal letters.

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567. McCLELLAN (GEORGE B.—Major-General in the Civil War). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Orange N. J. June 27," no year. To "Nahum Capen." With transcript, biographical account, and portrait.
". . . It is possible that I may pass through Boston in August, but I do not expect to leave here before that time."
568. McCULLOUGH (JOHN E.—Actor, born in Ireland, made his first appearance in Philadelphia, in 1855). "No. 20 East 11th St." Two autograph notes, signed. With biographical note, and two portraits.
569. MACDONALD (GEORGE—English writer). A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo, "12 Earles Terrace, Kensington, London, W. May 20 1867." To "W. Alger." With portrait.
". . . Some day I hope to cross the herring-pond, and look my American cousins in the face in their own country. You like to come here, as to your grandfather-land: New England would hold a charm for me you can hardly understand. . . ."
570. McKINLEY (WILLIAM—25th President of the United States). D.S., 1p. 8vo, "House of Representatives, U. S., Feby. 9, 1880." To "Superintendent Thompson, Post Office Dep't." A "Department Telegraph" recommending W. W. Conbaugh. With transcript and portrait.
571. McKINLEY (WILLIAM—25th President of the United States). A.N.S., 1p. 8vo, "House of Representatives, Feb. 25, 1880." To "Superintendent Thompson, Railway Mail Service." Telegraph sent in blank of "Department Telegraph Lines." An inquiry as to the appointment of "Trail & Conbaugh" as weighers. With portrait.
572. McKINLEY (WILLIAM—25th President of the United States). A.N.S., 1p. 8vo, "March 17/82." To "Superintendent Thompson, Railway Mail Service." Written in pencil. With transcript, and portrait.
"Have you restored C H Callahan as weigher of Mails. I am anxious you should do it."
573. McKINLEY (WILLIAM—25th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Canton, O. Sept. 23/82." To "Col. Dudley." With portrait.
Signed,—"W. McKinley, Jr.," and relates to a pension claim of Frederick Strucken of the 2nd Independent Penn. Artillery.
574. McKINLEY (WILLIAM—25th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "House of Representatives U. S., Washington, D. C., Jany. 16/1884." To "Judge Day." With two-page A.L.S. from John D. Long (lawyer) to Mr. Benton, enclosing the above letter from McKinley.
"Dear Day: Have you a copy of the Henderson definition. I don't find the original among my definitions here. . . ."

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575. McKINLEY (WILLIAM—25th President of the United States). A.D.S., 1p. 8vo, "House of Representatives, "no date. To "Hon. Frank Hatton." Written in pencil, on blank of "Government Telegraph Lines." With transcript, and portrait.

576. McLANE (LOUIS—United States Senator from Delaware; Secretary of the Treasury, and Secretary of State). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "June 25, '33." To "N. Dickens, Esq. Private." With biographical note, and portrait. Relative to court clerk and messenger.

577. McLEAN (JOHN—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1829). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Post Office Department, 5 Feby, 1828." To "Littleton D. Teackle, Esq., Annapolis Md." With transcript, biographical sketch, and portrait.

"I have transmitted your letter of the 21st ult, to the 'Committee on the post office, and post roads', and have recommended the subject to their consideration. There will not, probably, be any law relating to this department, passed the present session of Congress. . . ."

578. McLEAN (JOHN—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1829). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Columbus, 21 July, 1831." To "Peter Benson Esquire, Cashier &c Cincinnati." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait. Relative to check drawn in favour of Mr. Spencer.

579. McLEAN (JOHN—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1829). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Chapel Wood, 19 Aug. 1855." To "Rev. Wm. Sprague, D. D." With transcript, and portrait

" . . . But my brother, if you permit one so unworthy as myself to call you by that endearing epithet, if you had the world for your chapel, if the poor as well as the rich had heard your touching eloquence and witnessed your meekness in christian pity, would you not have had thousands, perhaps hundreds of thousands, as souls to your ministry. . . ."

580. McMASTER (JOHN BACH—American historian). A.N.S., 1p. 12mo, "University of Pennsylvania, Wharton School of Economy and Finance, Department of American History. Philadelphia, April 15, 1891." To "Miss Lottie R. Hatch." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

581. MACREADY (WILLIAM C.—eminent English actor). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Jones's Hotel, Dec. 2, '48." With transcript, and scarce lithographic portrait.

"I must beg leave to charge you with the delivery of my kind regards and apologies to Mrs. Hale . . ."

"I shall most probably pass through Philadelphia again before I leave America, and in that case shall not fail to try to see yourself and Mrs. H."

582. MACREADY (WILLIAM C.—eminent English actor). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "31. Henrietta St., Covent Garden, London." To "B. P. Bellamy, Esq." With address, transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"Is Saturday Feby. 5th open?—can you in that event make it worth my while to play in Bath—for positively that night only? . . ."

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583. MACREADY (WILLIAM C.—British actor). A.L.S., 3pp. 12mo, "Elstree (?) Herts. Augt. 16th. 1839." To "Cattermole;" Also,—A.L.S. 4pp. 8vo, "Bath, May 3d. 1850." To "Ruggles," in answer to a letter of sympathy on the death of a daughter. With biographical sketch, and portrait.

Two very fine letters of a personal and family nature.

584. MADISON (JAMES—4th President of the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Washington June 25. 1801." To "George Gerry, New York." Franked address. With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"... I am not acquainted with either the person, or the character of Mr Corran. My respect for his Lady is nevertheless sufficient to give me all the interest in her wishes, which public considerations will permit. I shall consequently not fail to keep the President in mind of Mr Corran, as a Candidate for the Posts you mention. . . . It seems to be the wish of the President, also not to go fully into the appt. of consuls at present, but to fill vacancies as business or particular circumstances press for it. . . ."

"The only intelligence we have which is not in the newspapers is the relapse of the King of G. B. into his mental imbecility. It is kept as much as possible a secret, but the fact is certain; nor is it much expected that he will ever be effectually cured of the malady. . . ."

585. MADISON (JAMES—4th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo. "Montpelier, Apl. 10, 1817." To "Mr. Jefferson." With Thomas Jefferson's endorsement on back. With portrait, transcript of letter, and biography of Madison.

"... I take for granted that the other Visitors met, and that for the present at least my attendance will not be needed. As it had always been our purpose to pay a visit to Monticello at no distant day after our first return from Washington, I could wish it to coincide with the time that may be fittest for the next meeting for the business of the College . . ."

586. MADISON (JAMES—4th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Montpelier, Mar. 27. 1826." To "Mr. Webster." With portrait.

"Having to thank you for a copy of the Executive Communications to the House of Rep'. relating to the Congress at Panama, . . . I hope you will not doubt the value I set as well on the motive as the matter for which I am indebted: But as such documents generally reach me thro' other channels, . . . Be so good therefore as to accept a release from your obliging promise, . . ."

587. MADISON (JAMES—4th President of the United States). A.N.S., 1p. 8vo, "Montpelier, June 26, 1827." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"J. Madison presents his respects to the managers for the 4th. of July at the Orange Hotel, and will with pleasure make one of the proposed company on the occasion."

588. MANN (ALEXANDER). L.S., 1p. 12mo, "Trinity Church, In The City of Boston March 23, 1906." To "Mr. Benton." Thanks for cheque of \$100—received for mission work.

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589. MANNING (CARDINAL). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Archbishop's House, Westminster, S.W., May 20 - 1887." To "Canon Jenkins." With transcript, and portrait.

"... Much as I lament Gladstone's descent, I believe that he is a guarantee for more moderate action in the Nationalist party, which has accepted him as its head. The opposition is now an Irish party; and Ireland has for the first time three hundred men in the House speaking & voting in its behalf. It must then give as well as take and this puts on the drag; always supposing that Gladstone does not lose his head, which is *suppositio temeraria*! I believe that the country never gave any heed to the talk about Home Rule, until Gladstone's extravagant Bill. . . ."

590. MANSFIELD (SIR JAMES—English Lord Chief Justice of Common Pleas). A.L.S., 3pp. 4to, "Temple Sept: 6 1781." With transcript, and biographical note.

"I have a reference to you & myself from Ld. Hillsborough's office relating to American Prisoners imprisoned at Forton in Hampshire, who have been very mutinous, & the Custody of them being supposed to be unsafe, & liable to Objection on account of it's Vicinity to Portsmouth, it is wished on the part of Government to remove them to Shrewsbury. . . ."

591. MARRYAT (FREDERICK—Captain in the British Navy; noted author). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "New York, May 9th." To "My dear mother." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"I write to save the packet to let you know that I am safe arrived here, where every body is in a state of anxiety & distress. Upwards of 300 of the best Houses have failed & all the rest will probably follow. The Banks are not expected to be able to hold up & when they go, there will be a general smash. Not a very pleasant time to pay a visit to New York, nevertheless they are very kind & attentive & I am not a little lionized I am hardly settled yet & do not yet know what I am about. . . ."

592. MARSHALL (JOHN—Chief Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1801). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Richmond, July 18th, 1804." To "Caleb P. Wayne, Esquire, Philadelphia." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

Relative to the publication of "The Life of George Washington."

"I wrote to you a few days past stating my hope that the 3d volume would sufficiently employ you till the fall in which time it would be in my power to revise the first & second so as to prepare them for a new impression but that if I should be mistaken in this expectation I would send you the first. . . ."

593. MARSHALL (JOHN—Chief Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1801). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Richmond, Apl. 11th. 1814." "From Chief Justice Marshall to John Lowell." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"I had yesterday the pleasure of receiving your letter of the 8th accompanying Mr. Lowell's very masterly review of the treatise on expatriation. I have read it with great pleasure & thank you very sincerely for this mark of your recollection.

"Could I have ever entertained doubts on the subjects, this review would certainly have removed them. . . ."

A note in another hand reads,—

"July 13, 1835. The Govt of the U States had seized and confined in
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Dungeons in Ipswich Jail, some innocent British officers, declaring that they would execute them in case the British Govt. should execute three British seamen who had absconded from their service & were taken fighting agt. their Country in the Chesapeake frigate.

"The British Govt. did execute those traitors, but our Govt never retaliated."

594. MARSHALL (JOHN—Chief Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1801). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Washington, Jany. 24th, 1833." To "Thomas W. Griffith, esquire, Baltimore." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"I have had the pleasure of receiving your letter of the 20th enclosing your proposed amendments to the constitution which I have read with the attention and interest the subject demands.

"My own individual opinions have not been favorable to changes in our government, the advantages of which were not obvious, and the difficulty of obtaining them is such as to discourage any attempt. . . ."

595. MARSHALL (THOMAS R.—Vice-President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "The Vice-President's Chamber, Washington, 29 April 1916." To "Josiah H. Benton, Boston, Mass." With transcript, envelope, and portrait.

"I acknowledge, with sincere thanks, at the hands of Senator Lodge, the gift of your volume on, 'Voting in the Field'. I anticipate great pleasure in reading it, for it recalls to my mind boyhood memories of the time when it was thought that men should not only bare their breasts to bullets to preserve the Republic but that they should also cast their conscientious ballots for a like purpose. . . ."

596. MARTINEAU (HARRIET—English authoress). A.L.S., 4pp. 4to, "Washington, Jany 25th /35." To "Rev'd. Chas. Brooks, Bingham near Boston, Mass." Addressed franked by S. C. Phillips, M. C. With transcript, and portrait.

AN EXCEPTIONALLY FINE LETTER.

"You do not need to be told how difficult it is to write letters in Washington; . . . We usually had 3 engagements a day, besides sight seeing and calls in the morning; and I grew almost in despair about my journal. . . . Alas! my poor journal ran on for four or five days, more than once while I was there. . . . nothing but making the most of the Furnesses was to be thought of. We want now to know whether Mr. F. is regarded among you as we regard him,—as unique; or whether you think you have any more such men. For myself, I can only say that I regard my acquaintance with him as an era in my life; . . . The quaker city and its hospitalities pleased us much. My mornings were spent chiefly in visiting the Prison, (alone and very frequently) & the other public institutions. . . ."

"This place seems the centre of delights,—& no less, of political knowledge. After breakfast, we go to a certain Committee room in the Capitol, where Mr. Osgood paints, & there I sit for my picture just now for an hour daily. Then we go into the Supreme Court, where Judge Story has scoured the Reporter's chairs for us, that I may hear Webster & Clay & others plead. Think of that! All the seven Judges are friends or acquaintances of ours! . . . Then we come home & dress for dinner at the President's, or at our Envoys, or some other such place; & I have long talks with His Majesty, or Mr. Van Buren, or Webster, Clay, Calhoun, Preston, or dear Judge Story, or some other capital person. . . ."

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597. MARTINEAU (HARRIET—English authoress). A.L.S., 6pp. 8vo, "Tyne-mouth, Northumberland October 2." To an unknown lady friend. With transcript, biographical note, and 2 portraits.

A lengthy letter regarding her own illness, her literary work, and friends.

"... We all think it probable that I may be for years just as I am; though (as I believe I told you before) the crisis & struggle may come at any time. . . . I shd not wonder if I travel to the next house, some time this month. My mother arrived last night, & has nice rooms next door, & is to spend as many hours per day here as I am equal to, all October. I think, some favourable day, I shall give her a broad hint to ask me to tea, & get there by the back door. She & I are reckoning immoderately on my reading my book to her, & we begin directly, as Moxon is for going to press, in order to be out about the 1st of Decbr. I am within 120 pages of the end; & it is not anxious work; for thinking it likely it might not be finished, I wrote the concluding chapters first,—(the subject of them bring a very determinate one). The penultimate portion is not nearly so exciting to write as the conclusion; so I feel very quiet & easy about it. . . ."

598. MARTINEAU (HARRIET—English authoress). A.L.S., 6pp. 8vo, "Newcastle upon Tyne, Janry 10th." To "Mrs. Jameson." *Private*. With transcript, and portrait.

FINE LITERARY LETTER.

"... my very small writing ability has of late been all employed for the Oberlin. If you don't know what this means, you soon shall; for I will send you its history in the form of a tract, as soon as it is printed. . . ."

"As for my opinions about the position &c of Women, I have little doubt you have heard some of the stuff & nonsense wh I am occasionally assured is my opinion on that sort of subject;—that they ought to sit in parliament, &c &c. I believe the whole extent of my opinions is given in 'Society in America'. . . . I feel so deeply & strongly the support & delight of your sympathy, as shown in your Canada book, that I acknowledge your right to all my thoughts on that set of subjects. I am always recurring in thought to that book. It is a beauty: . . ."

"I have in my head a most glorious subject for my next. (Only please, don't give this out, more or less.) I am already looking about, to decide whether I shall bequeath it to any body, & to whom, or whether I shall let it die with me, in case of my not being able to do it myself. . . . I have written more openly than I meant, & so shall put 'Private' at the top.—Poor Theodore Sedgwick, my own opinion is that dear Cathc & the rest are saved a world of sorrow & trouble by his dying now, & so suddenly; & I rather think that in the bottom of her own heart she must be feeling this already. . . ."

"When will your Princess Amelia appear, I wonder. I am charmed to have given a moment's pleasure to Mme Gothe,—'Anne' Fox thanks you heartily for so calling her, . . ."

"P. S. It may please you to know, in case of your seeing Capn Maryput's ridiculous attack on me (in his second book on Amera) that I never wrote a line in the Edinburgh in my life, & that I have not, to this hour, seen either his book, . . . I shall not take any public notice of the matter. . . . I need not tell you that his other storics of me are equally false."

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599. MARTINEAU (HARRIET—English authoress). A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo, "Tyne-mouth, Decbr., 7th." To "Mrs. Jameson." With transcript, and portrait.

"... I quite agree with you in wishing that Pensions to literary & scientific benefactors shd be given,—& think it a purpose to wh a portion of the public funds of every great & good country shd be devoted; but the distribution ought not to be left to the partialities of sovereign or premier, who cannot possibly understand the people & subject they have herein to deal with. Think of P. Melbourne's behaviour to Faraday! I forgot that story when I wrote, or I cd hardly have said all the civil things I did.

"You have often said you wished I knew Lady Byron as you do. I suppose I know something about her at this moment that you do not! I shd not wonder. Really, I mean to be very careful not to hurt her feelings by publishing what she has done; but she could not object to my telling you. She has placed £100 at my disposal, to give away. . . .

"I conclude you have read Stephen's *Central Amera*, & liked it, as every body does. It is a capital book for invalids,—not idle, & most amusing."

600. MASSACHUSETTS LAND LOTTERY TICKET. "Commonwealth of Massachusetts. No. 1956 Land-Lottery. This Ticket Entitles the Bearer, to the Lot or Tract of Land drawn by the Number thereof, pursuant to an Act of the General Court, passed the Ninth Day of November, 1786." Signed in the autograph of Rufus Putnam and Leo: Jarvis, Managers. 12mo, inlaid.

601. MASSACHUSETTS SUPREME COURT. A.D.S., 2pp. 4to, no date. Petition "To the Honorable the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts."

Petition for the appointment of Mr. Ebenezer Trescott to the position of Crier of the Supreme Court in the County of Suffolk, signed in the autographs of,—Bradford Sumner, Augustus Peabody, Francis O. Watts, Joseph Williams, W. Minot, N. Bartlett, R. Choate, Charles G. Loring, Jno. Pickering," and 34 other prominent men of Boston and vicinity.

602. MASSACHUSETTS SUPREME COURT. D.S., 1p. 4to, "To the Hon. the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Barnstable, January 16, 1855." Application for the appointment of Frederick W. Crocker for office of Clerk of the Courts for the County of Barnstable, signed by,—Nymphas Marston, and others; D.S., "To the Hon. the Sup. Jud. Court," asking permission to postpone a meeting, signed by Rufus Choate, S. Bartlett, H. F. Durant, and others; D.S., "May, 1848, "To the Hon. Justices.... recommending Marshal Preston to the position of Assistant Clerk of the Courts in the County of Middlesex, signed by Members of the Bar in Middlesex County, including,—Ephraim Buttrick, John P. Robinson, James Dana, and others; D.S., 1p. 4to, "Jan. 13, 1851. "To the Hon.... of the Supreme Court," asking permission to postpone a session of the Court of Common Pleas in Middlesex County, signed by,—J. G. Abbott, A. H. Nelson, I. W. Beard, and others. Together, 4 pieces.

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603. MATTHEWS (CHARLES J.—eminent English actor). A.N.S., 1p. 8vo, "Jany 7th, 1875." With transcript, and portrait.
"Are you for another 3 nights somewhere about the first week in April?"
604. MATTHEWS (NATHAN, JR.—Lawyer, and Mayor of Boston). A.L.S., 1p. 12mo, "Union Club of Boston May 1/04." To "Mr. Benton." With portrait. Mentions his old friend & classmate Baron Kaneko.
605. MATTHEWS (STANLEY—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1881). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Matthews, Ramsey & Matthews, Law Office, 58 West Third Street, Cincinnati, Dec. 10th, 1874." To "Mr. Antonio Pelletier, P. O. Box 69, Washington City;" Also,—A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Washington, April 9, 1882." To "Hon. L. P. Morton, U. S. Minister, Paris," introducing his friend, Gen J. B. Gordon. With transcripts, biographical note, and portrait.
606. MATTHEWS (STANLEY—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1881). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Glendale, May 11, 1885." To "G. A. Townsend, Esq. No. 361 West 34th St., New York." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.
607. MAYNARD (HORACE—Postmaster General, and Minister to Turkey). A.L.S., 1p. 12mo, "Delucous House May 9, 1863." To "His Excy, Horatio Seymour Gov. &c." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait. Letter of introduction.
608. MAZARIN (CARDINAL JULES—Celebrated prime minister of France). L.S., 2pp. folio, "Paris, the 5th, Feby. 1644." With French and English transcripts, and portrait.
The following is a partial English translation,—
"As Monsieur de Marsin is going to Germany and is charged to see your Highness, I have taken this occasion to assure you that the principal object of his journey is your Interests and the good of your affairs. The Queen having considered the state of the present conjuncture which is a little unpleasant for Your Highness, has been pleased also to grant you some extra assistance in order that you may not only maintain yourself against the efforts of your enemies, but also may attack them if there is occasion for so doing. The said Seigneur de Marsin has therefore the order from Her Majesty to receive the opinion of your Highness, to depend on your orders and to render you all the deference that you may desire, to attain the end for which he is sent, which is, as I have said, the particular welfare of your Highness and hence that of the confederated party. . . ."
609. MEADE (GEORGE G.—Major-General in the Civil War). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Head-Quarters, Army of the Potomac. Sept. 21, 1863." To "Maj. Gen. D. Butterfield, Washington, D. C." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.
Returning copy of London Times,—*"Think Gen. B. will have no cause for complaint when his report is made."*

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610. MELBOURNE (WILLIAM LAMB, 2nd VISCOUNT—Prime Minister of Great Britain). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Windsor Castle, December 13, 1838." To "The Bishop of Chichester." With transcript, and portrait.

"Her Majesty will be at Brighton at Christmas, & wishes to receive the Sacrament at that Season—It is usual & fitting that a Bishop should officiate upon such occasions & I therefore write to ask, whether you could make it convenient to attend at Brighton on Christmas day for the purpose of administering the Sacrament in the Chapel Royal."

611. MEREDITH (GEORGE—English novelist). A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo, "England. Box Hill, Dorking, July 18th, 1885." To "Charles Cole." With transcript, and Japan proof portrait.

"... For now about fourteen months my wife has been struggling with surgeons and doctors, under sentence of a mortal malady. How long it will last none can say. We have no hope. . . . Writing is to me a dreary task. I do no more than the day demands.—As to your article. I am in a dilemma. It is too short, & not distinct enough in its object, nor quite adapted to suit the modern ear. . . . I saw Lowell from time to time when he was here, & liked him extremely."

612. METCALF (THERON—American Jurist and Judge of Massachusetts Supreme Court). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Dedham, 31st May 1833." To "Hon. H. A. A. Dearborn, Roxbury." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait. Relative to the appraisal and award of land.

613. METTERNICH (PRINCE CLEMENS W.—eminent Austrian statesman). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Saturday 26." Inlaid. With portrait.

Translation,—

"I pray, my general, to let me know if our appointment with M. de Villette is arranged for this evening and at what hour we are to come together."

614. MILL (JOHN STUART—eminent English philosopher and economist). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Avignon, Feb. 24, 1869." To "H. C. Watson, Esq." With transcript and portrait

"The mode in which convergence seems to me to combine itself with divergence, in the generation of species, resembles what happens in the growth of a tree. The shoots from one of the larger branches approach and meet those from another, so that a large part of the growth of both is in the direction contrary to divergence; while yet the general circumference constantly enlarges, so that divergence, though limited by the counter-principle, is yet in respect of the distance between its extremes, perpetually widening. . . ."

615. MILLER (SAMUEL F.—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1862). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Keokuk, June 8, 1863." To "Chas. H. Hazard, Esq." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

616. MILLER (SAMUEL F.—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1862). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Keokuk, May 2, 1864." To "The President." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"I recommend to you Henry O'Connor of Iowa for one of the Judges of the new territory of Montana in the event that the bill now pending on that subject shall become a law. . . ."

617. MILLER (SAMUEL F.—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1862). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Washington, D. C., Feb. 27, 1866." To "the President." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait

"On the supposition that there will be the usual organization of federal courts in Nebraska provided by Congress I take the liberty of recommending the Hon. W. Kellogg for United States District Judge in that District. . . ."

618. MILLER (SAMUEL F.—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1862). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Supreme Court of the United States, Washington, May 21, 1886." To "Ben. W. Austen, Secretary North Mile Literary and Historical Society." With transcript, and portrait.

" . . . I am gratified at the honor which the Society has conferred on me and at the handsome terms in which you express their appreciation of my public services, and character. . . ."

619. MILLS (ELIJAH H.—United States Senator from Massachusetts, elected, 1819). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Jany. 8th, 1827. Senate Chamber." To "Hon. W. Southard, Secy of the Navy" With transcript and biographical note. A recommendation that the services of Capt. Richard Derby be engaged as Naval store keeper at Pensacola.

620. MILMAN (HENRY HART—English poet, historian and divine). Autograph Poem, Signed, 12 lines from "Samor," commencing,—

*"As when beneath the Nave Tall arching,
the Cathedral organ 'gins*

The prelude, lingeringly exquisite

Within retired the bashful sweetness dwells," etc. .

Also, A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Cloister Westm. Abbey, May 11." To "James Wardell, Leeds," in answer to a request for his autograph, enclosing the above mentioned poem. With transcripts, and portrait.

- 620A. MISCELLANEOUS AUTOGRAPHS. Hobart (Garret A.—Vice-President of the United States). L.S., 1p. 4to, "Paterson, N. J., June 27, 1896." To "G. L. Danforth, Esq.;" SHERMAN (JAMES S.—Vice-President of the United States). L.S., 1p. 4to, "Utica, N. Y., Sept. 28, 1905." To "Hon. Vespien Warner, Commissioner of Pensions, Washington, D. C.;" Also,—L.S., 1p. 8vo, "The Vice-President's Chamber, Washington, May 8, 1912." To "Mr. J. H. Benton, Boston Public Library, Copley square, Boston, Massachusetts;" and others. Together, 26 pieces.

Various places, various dates

Includes autographs of,—Charles W. Fairbanks, Vice-President of the United States; Benjamin Perley Poore, Journalist; T. W. Ferry, Senator from Michigan, with portrait; Wendell P. Stafford, Jurist; Henry Cabot Lodge, Senator from Massachusetts, and others.

- 620B. MISCELLANEOUS AUTOGRAPHS. Gallatin (Albert—Secretary of the United States Treasury). A.N.S., 1p. 8vo, "Treasury Department." To "Thomas Worthington Esqre at Birch's city of Washington."

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Address only, endorsed in another hand, "A. Gallatin, Jan'y 10th 1803;" PARSONS (THEOPHILUS—Chief Justice, Massachusetts Supreme Court). Receipt, signed, 1p. 8vo, 1778. Bill to Oliver Peabody for legal services, receipted by,—“Theoph. Parsons.” Various endorsements on back, with date, 1778; DEXTER (SAMUEL—Secretary of the Treasury). N.S., 1p. 12mo, “Treasury Department, Apr. 14, 1801.” To “Robert Purviance Esqr. Collector of Baltimore Maryland.” Address only, with autograph signature,—“S. Dexter;” and others. Together, 32 pieces.

Various places, various dates

Among the other autograph signatures are the following,—David Lenox. President of the Bank of the United States; Daniel M. Durell, Jurist; Matthew Harvey, Governor of New Hampshire; Josiah G. Abbott, Jurist, several Lottery tickets, etc.

621. MITFORD (MARY R.—English authoress). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, “December, Twenty-three 1826.” To “Miss Joy.” With address, transcript, and portrait.

“I am more busy than ever my dear Miss Joy—About two weeks ago Mr. Forrest the American Tragedian who has made such a hit at Drury Lane sent to me through a female friend of mine who happens to be staying in the same house with him to beg me to write him a Tragedy. Accordingly I have put off my novel for a time, & am now in the middle of that occupation.

“Mr. Forrest has received the First & Fifth Acts with which he is charmed, . . . the other acts are to be sent to him as soon as finished—He will return to Drury Lane on the Fifteenth of January or perhaps for a few days later & then (if all go well) the play will go into rehearsal so as to be produced early in February. . . .

“The story of my play is an old bit of German History called Otto of Withelshoch . . . In the midst of my hard work it is some consolation to find that I have not lost the dramatic power (such as it is) that I once possessed. . . .”

622. MONROE (JAMES—5th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, “Baltimore, June 18, 1794.” To an unknown party. With transcript, and biographical note; also portrait.

“I was favoured with yours two days past & have arranged with Mr. Le Blanc here the communication of what you desire by him to Mr Fauchet. It has I presume been executed fully to your wishes, for surely upon every principle you merit their confidence and certainly will have it. . . .”

623. MONROE (JAMES—5th President of the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, “Washington May 15 - 1820.” With transcript, and portrait.

FINE LETTER TO GENERAL DEARBORN RELATIVE TO THE ACQUISITION OF FLORIDA, with mention of General King as Commissioner. The letter is docketed on back, in pencil,—“Gen. Dearborn from,” and in ink “President Monroe.”

“I lately sent you a copy of the message respecting our affairs with Spain, the conduct of the Executive in which, will I hope obtain your approbation. It would, I think, have been dishonorable to have availed ourselves of the present situation of Spain, to have laid our hands on

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Washington May 15. 1820

Dear Sir-

I lately sent you a copy of the message respecting our affairs with Spain, the conduct of the Executive in which, will I hope obtain your approbation. It would, I think, have been dishonorable, to have asserted ourselves in the present situation, of Spain, to have laid our hands on Florida: nor shall we get it, I expect, at no distant day, without the danger of war, and with the approbation of Spain, & all Europe. The States are charged by foreign gov^{ts}, with aggrandizing themselves, at the expense of their neighbours, without regard to principle. Nothing is more unjust, as I trust our present conduct will fully prove, than to impute no act since our independence, gives it any countenance.

I received lately two letters from you. My views as to appointments, in which the government ought to mess, to give incurs, & perpetuate our republican system, were fully unfolded to you in a late letter. Personally I have no object, and can go home at any time without regret. But while I am here, I wish to act on principle, & will, according to my best judgment, to give stability and strength to our republic.

Yours

JAMES MONROE—PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

Autograph Letter, Signed. 1820

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[See Illustration]

624. MONROE (JAMES—5th President of the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Washington May 29 - - 1822." To "R. Smith Esq President Md. Ag. Soc." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait. Original letter sent to printer for publication, with the latter's notes at top of first page.

"I have received with great sensibility the invitation which you have so politely and kindly communicated, of the agricultural society of Maryland, to meet them at their exhibition on the 30th & 31st of this month, in the neighborhood of Baltimore. . . . unfortunately I have been detained here by duties of the most serious character, which have not admitted any relaxation, since the adjournment of Congress, and which will still confine me several days longer. . . ."

625. MONROE (JAMES—5th President of the United States). A.L.S., 3pp. 4to, "Oakhill May 17. 1826." With biographical note, and portrait.

An exceptionally fine letter relative to Monroe's claim against the government in connection with his mission to France at the time Louisiana was ceded to the United States.

". . . My decided opinion is, that the bill, be this sum allowed what it may be, had better pass, & that I should avoid any collision with Congress, either in the present stage, or hereafter, relying on the good offices of my friends & the justice of my country. I have written a letter to this effect to Mr Ingham, which I wish him to show you, and I should be glad, if deemed proper, that my letter to him, should be read to the house, when the bill from the Senate, is taken up, by him in his place, and that you woud, then read, those Documents, which I sent to you, that is Tullyrands letter, of which I now send you a translation, Mr Livingstons letter to me after my arrival at House, & the extracts from Col. Mercer's journal. The communication will naturally grow out, of what passed between you and Mr L. in the Senate, & you may know, that such Documents were deposited in the dept. of State, in 1816 when my act was settled, by reference to the rept. of the Committee of the last Session. Mr. Jefferson, nor Mr Madison can take any exception to the communication, because I give the credit, to the mission, adopted by them; nor can Mr Livingston, or any other friend of his brother, be false, I give him full credit for his cooperation. The communication is connected with the history of that day . . . The statement, contained in those Documents will go to posterity, for I have a letter from Mr Marbois (which I mention in confidence), which fully confirms it."

626. MOORE (ALFRED—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1799). A.L.S., 3pp. folio, "Hillsborough, 23d. of Feby, 1791." To "The Honble. Saml. Johnston, Esqr." With transcript, and portrait.

"I had the honour to receive your favour of the 16" of January with the Attorney General's Report on the Judiciary System; In obedience to your
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Commands I applied much of my leisure time in considering it, but am not yet able to approve or to offer satisfactory reasons against the most important parts of it. . . . Mr Attorney's Ideas when he attempts to shew that the State Courts ought to be excluded because not under the Control of the federal Courts—& again that their proceedings are in some instances subject to the federal Judiciary, because that Judiciary must ex natura rei control determinations that counteract the operation of the Constitution—he does not indeed say, they have not a control over the State courts, but all his reasoning for an exclusion in Admiralty & other cases must of necessity imply so much, . . .

"I learn from Col. Davie that the creise Law has passed. I cannot foresee its consequences on the minds of our People: the name is odious enough, but all will depend on the Law . . . there is a vast current of Opinion in this State opposed to the federal Government. I hope & believe it will all be rent by words, & that the benefits of a federal Government will appear & give their Judgement a conquest over their passions, before these latter can ripen into mischief. . . ."

627. MOORE (THOMAS—Celebrated Irish poet). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Sloperton Cottage, Devizes, March 11, 1832." *Private*. To "Mr. Edward Moxon, 64 New Bond St." With transcript, and portrait.

" . . . A friend of mine, this last week wrote me word from Bath that there was a subscription there in progress for Mr Leigh Hunt who (he added, to my sincere concern) was in very great distress. I immediately wrote to Mrs Shelley on the subject, and have this morning received her answer inclosing a printed paper to which I see your name annexed. You will oblige me very much by acquainting me whether there has been any further subscription towards this object than what appears on that paper, as I should be most happy that my contribution (and name, also, if that were not objected to) should be added to the list."

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628. MORAN (JOHN B.). L.S., 1p. 4to, "Moran Headquarters Rooms 412 to 415 Pemberton Bldg., Pemberton Sq. Boston, Mass., August 28, 1906." To "Hon. Josiah Quincy." Political letter, sending a "Moran" button, which accompanies the letter.

629. MORE (HANNAH—English writer). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Clifton, August 26 - 1830." To "Thomas Cadell, Esq. Strand." Address and seal. With transcript, and portrait.

"I trouble you to let me know if any of my writings may be had separately out of my old Edition, previous to the last eleven volumes. If so I shall wish you to send to me Carlebs, . . . I should like 6 copies of the Spirit of Prayer—also six Sacred Dramas, of which my Edition mentions that twenty four thousand Copies were sold . . ."

630. MORGAN (JOHN PIERPONT—American financier). L.S., 1p. 12mo, "The Library, Thirty-three East Thirty-sixth Street, Dec. 14, 1909." To "Mr. Benton." With transcript, and portrait. Thanking Mr. Benton for his work "The Old Boston Town House."

631. MORRILL (JUSTIN S.—United States Senator from Vermont, elected, 1867). A.L.S., 1p. 12mo, "United States Senate, Washington, D. C., Nov. 21th, 1883." To "J. H. Benton, Jr., Esq., Boston, Mass." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait. Regarding the writer's portrait.

632. MORRIS (ROBERT—Signer of the Declaration of Independence). A.L.S., 3pp. 4to, "Newtown, June 14th, 1777." To "Govr. Livingston." With biographical note, and portrait.

AN EXCEPTIONALLY FINE LETTER, comparing the condition under which a criminal case was held in New Jersey during the Revolution with the proceedings of criminal cases of the same standing in the Courts of England.

"Enclosed, your Excellency has a list of the Convictions, and the Judg-

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ments thereon at this very tedious, and I would have said premature Court, if the Council had not thought expedient on mature deliberation to have appointed it. . . .

"Judges young in office, and not appointed for their legal erudition, Associates but reputable farmers, doctors, or shopkeepers, young Officers, no Council, nor Clerk, for want of timely notice, which was not even given to the Sheriff; & this in a disaffected County, both Witnesses and Criminals to be collected from all parts of the state. Thus circumstanced was a court of the highest expectancy ever held in New Jersey, a Court for trial of a number of state Criminals, some for high treason: a Crime so little known in New Jersey, that perhaps the first Lawyer in it would not know how to enter Judgment under our Constitution. It would make an excellent paragraph in Gains veritable Mercury, no other printer would venture to publish it. . . .

"We have sat with great patience, and have now closed the third week, had it not been for the negligence, or villany of a rascally Gaoler, in suffering John Eddy, the only person indicted for high treason to escape yesterday morning, I flatter myself we should have acquitted ourselves with tolerable success, and I hope have given satisfaction to the good people. . . .

"The little time the members of the Court had for considering the Commission after my arrival hurried us into a matter, which on further consideration I confess I am not satisfied with.—I mean the short time between the tests and return for the precept for the grand Jury. . . ."

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633. MORRIS (ROBERT—Signer of the Declaration of Independence). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Market Street, Saturday 20th Octr. 1787." To "The Honble Thos. Barclay, Esqr." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

". . . Let me beg of you to dispense with ceremony and if Mr John Barclay & you are disengaged, that you will partake of a Family dinner with a few old acquaintances tomorrow . . ."

634. MORSE (SAMUEL F. B.—Founder of the American system of the electro-magnetic telegraph). L.S., 3pp. Svo, "Florence Villa, Shanklin, Isle of Wight, July 31st, 1867." To "Thomas F. Harrison, Esq., 689 Second Avenue, New York." (Secy. Asiatic Society). With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

". . . In regard to the condition of our Asiatic Society affairs, I have very little of interest to communicate, for my last communication to the Marquis de Moustier has not been answered, so that I am stopped from further intercourse in that direction. I think you are not sufficiently conscious of the embarrassed position in which I am placed in consequence of the unfortunate retirement of Dr. Forsyth through illness from all communication with us. . . . I have been daily expecting the arrival of the Congressional Committee which it was hinted to me from New York was to come to Paris. . . . All inquiries however, made at the Legation and elsewhere fail to give me any information in regard to the arrival of this Congressional Commission. . . . In the absence of all documents except the Memorial and our last letter to the Marquis de Moustier and with no one of the Society with me, posted up in the details which are embodied in those documents, what could I do even if I went to Russia? . . . I feel that the interest of our Asiatic Society cannot be forwarded by anything I can do. . . . The Society should choose a younger, less burdened, and more competent person to be at its head. . . ."

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Newtown June 15th 1777

Enclaud, your Excellency has a list of the Convictions, and the judgments thereon at this very tedious, and I would have said monstrous Court, if the Council had not thought expedient on mature deliberation to have appointed it. — I had the pleasure to find Mr. Justice Symmes here at my arrival, and confess if I had supposed the Council would have spared him for the business, I would not have travelled post over the Mountains, through the rain and late into the night on so very short a notice. —

Judges young in office, and not appointed for their legal erudition, Associates but reputable farmers, doctors, or shopkeepers. young Officers, no Council, nor Clerk, for want of timely notice, which was not even given to the Sheriff, & this in a disaffected County. Both Witnesses and Criminals to be collected from all parts of the State. — This ~~circumstance~~ circumstance was a court of the highest expectation ever held in New Jersey, a Court for trial of a number of state Criminals, some for high treason: a crime so little known in New Jersey, that perhaps the first Lawyer in it would not know how to enter judgment under our Constitution. It would make an excellent paragraph in Gains's veritable Mercury. no other printer would venture to publish it. — In England where treason and rebellion are, from immemorial usage, become familiar terms, twelve learned Judges from the three first Courts in the world, the members of privy Council and the first Gent^l in the Kingdom would have been sent on

ROBERT MORRIS—SIGNER OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

Autograph Letter, Signed. 1777

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635. MORSE (SAMUEL F. B.—Founder of the American system of the electro-magnetic telegraph). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "5 West 22d. St., June 9, 1871." To "Edward Anthony, Esq." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"... I would call on your recollections to remember the time, when we were roommates in Washington on the memorable evening that unknown to me at the time the bill for making trial of the Telegraph was signed, and the morning incident of Miss Annie Ellsworth's announcement to me of the important fact. . . ."

636. MORTON (LEVI P.—Vice-President of the United States). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "P. O. & R. R. Station, Saranac Inn. Eagle Island, Upper Saranac Lake, N Y. Aug 29, 1903." To "Arthur I. Abernethy, Esq." With transcript, and portrait.

"... The work you are disposed to undertake would, as you suppose, take a long time, to make the necessary researches and involve a large expenditure, but I will have your suggestions in mind."

637. MORTON (LEVI P.—Vice-President of the United States). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "To Gen. G. Wilson, Nov. 9." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

638. MORTON (LEVI P.—Vice-President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 12mo, "Morton, Bliss & Co., 28 Nassau Street, New York, Dec. 30." To "G. A. Townsend Esq *Personal*." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait. A personal letter of thanks.

639. MORTON (OLIVER P.—United States Senator from Indiana, elected, 1867). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Indianapolis, April 30th, 1877." "To the President." With transcript, and portrait.

"Major Manning of this city is an applicant for Marshall of Utah. He is a gentleman of character and qualifications and his appointment would be an excellent one. . . ."

640. MOTLEY (JOHN LOTHROP—American historical writer). A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo, "Rome, 7 November /58." To "Mr. Moran." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait. Relative to the forwarding of his mail. A long letter giving full instructions.

641. MOTLEY (JOHN LOTHROP—American historical writer). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Legation of the U. S. America, April 25, 1862." To "Hon. F. H. Morse, U S Consul." With transcript, and proof portrait.

"... I infer from what you say, that our opinions would not very much differ on the subject. I confess it would have pleased me better, if the U States had been entirely unrepresented in the International Exhibition. The present circumstances of our country, all whose energies are engaged in a gigantic war, make it impossible for us to do ourselves justice, at this moment, in the manifestation of American genius for the arts of peace.—Moreover, the intolerance with which a large portion of the English public regards our nation, in this its great struggle, does not make any participation on our part in the International exhibition, seem to me particularly desirable. . . ."

Private

My Dear Sir

as soon as the Negus is
gone I shall have you onboard, and
your large party had better keep
within here. I approve entirely of your
leaving the Bay of Tunis and not further
subjecting a conference you shall have
my humble letter of approbation as soon
as I finish my Malta letters. And
I am ever yours faithfully

Arthur Dobson

Victory Jan^y 15th 1804

Capt. Kent

HORATIO VISCOUNT NELSON—BRITISH ADMIRAL
Autograph Letter, Signed. 1804
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642. MULLOCK (DINAH MARIA—popular English authoress). A.L.S., 2pp. 12mo, "Lynover Cottage, Kilburn, Aug. 11 - 57." To an unknown party.

"May I come to you to assist me in a matter where I can't help myself. I want to get a presentation to Bancroft's School for a boy, son of very intelligent & respectable parents, who are in much difficulty & distress. . . ."

643. MURFREE (MARY N.—"Charles Egbert Craddock"—American authoress). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "St. Louis, Missouri, Sept. 28, 1882." To "Messrs James R. Osgood & Co. Boston" With biographical note, transcript, and portrait.

"I desire to submit to you with a view to publication a novel which attempts some delineation of life in Middle Tennessee since the war and is entitled 'Where the Battle was fought.' I forward the Ms. by express today.

"I have during the past few years contributed under the pen-name 'Charles Egbert Craddock' a number of stories of the mountains of Tennessee to the Atlantic Monthly, Appleton's Journal, and the Youth's Companion. . . ."

644. NAPOLEON (Emperor of France). D.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Headquarters, Cairo. 3 Pluviôse, year 7 (January 22 1799)." To the Quartermaster General "D'Aure." With English transcript, and portrait.

Relative to the forwarding of supplies for the army; the movement of General Kleber's Second Battalion to Catich, and the provisioning the same.

645. NAPOLEON (Emperor of France). D.S., 2pp. folio, February 25, 1813. American Ships Clearance Papers, Signed "N.I." FINE SIGNATURE. With English transcript, and portrait.

646. NELSON (HORATIO, VISCOUNT—eminent British Admiral). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Victory, Janry. 15th. 1804." To "Capt. Keats." With transcript, and portrait.

FINE SPECIMEN, written on the "Victory," and signed in full "Nelson and Bronte." The letter is headed "Private."

"As soon as the Niger is gone I shall have you on board, and your large party had better prepare to return here. I approve entirely of your leaving the Bay of Algiers and not farther soliciting a conference. You shall have my public letter of approbation as soon as I finish my Malta letters."

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647. NELSON (HORATIO, LORD—British Admiral). A.N., 1p. 24mo, no date.

Written by Lord Nelson with his left hand, the note reads: "Principal officers and Commissioners of His Majestys Navy."

648. NELSON (SAMUEL—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1845). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Cooperstown Dec. 9th 1844. Private." To "Gov. Bouch." With transcript, biographical note,

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and portrait; Also,—A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "City Hotel." To "Mr. Olcott, Cashier of National Bank."

The first of the above letters is a political one relative to the fortune of two candidates.

"... I think your friends should be satisfied as it respects the appointment of senators; and should endeavor, in all proper ways, and means, to secure their election by the legislature—I do not apprehend much, so far as D. is concerned—for I am of opinion there will be a general disposition to take him up as one of the candidates, those opposed acquiescing from necessity and making a virtue out of their liberality, so as to secure one of a different political complexion as an associate. This sentiment is what Mr. F has most to fear in the canvass—and unless there is a firm and decided majority of his way of thinking in the next legislature, he will be in danger. . . ."

649. NESMITH (JAMES WILLIS—United States Senator from Oregon). A.L.S., 1p. 12mo, "Washington D. C. March 11th 1861." With transcript.

"... While I do not claim to be 'eminent', yet you are welcome to my autograph such as it is."

650. NEWMAN (JOHN HENRY, CARDINAL—English). A.L.S., 3pp. 12mo, "The Oratory Bm Novr 17, 1862." To "The Very Rev. Provost F. C. Husenbeth." With transcript, and portrait.

"I have been reading with great interest your Life of Dr Milner. . . . It is a great work done, and I congratulate you on it. All Catholics, I am sure, must thank you for it, and you have associated your own name in the happiest way with a name which will never die. . . ."

651. O'CONNELL (DANIEL—Irish orator and political agitator). A.L.S., 1p. 12mo, "16 Manchester Buildings 1st March 1831." To "Terence Bentham Esq." With transcript, and portrait.

"... Now I hope that you will live to see the compleat triumph of your principles and a code supersede judge made law. . . ."

652. O'CONOR (CHARLES—American Jurist, and District Attorney for New York). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "New York March 15 1844." To "John Binns Esq and his associates Committee on behalf of the Friends of Ireland in Phila." With transcript.

"... The ardent zeal and untiring activity of the Philadelphia Repealers have long commanded our admiration. A meeting with them, either at the council board or the festive table, to concert measures for Ireland's emancipation, or to commemorate Ireland's ancient glory—the valor of her sons or the virtue of her priesthood—could at any time afford us great pleasure. . . ."

653. OLNEY (RICHARD—Secretary of State of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 12mo, To "Mr. Benton." With transcript.

"I return 'Long John Wentworth's' reminiscences—which I have run over with great interest & pleasure. . . ."

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654. OTIS (HARRISON GRAY—American statesman and orator). A.L.S., 3pp. 4to, "Boston, Sept. 26, 1791." To "John Templeman." With transcript.

"When you receive my last two letters and reflect upon your own prompt attention to my concerns you will naturally be as much at a loss on account of the paper sent me, as I was before I receiv'd it—The whole difficulty arose from Mr Eustis being detained on the road & having quitted the Stage. . . ."

655. OTIS (HARRISON GRAY—American statesman and orator). A.L.S., 3pp. 4to, "Boston, October 12, 1813." To "Tho. O. Selfridge." With transcript.

"A few years since a person named James Murray died in Calcutta, leaving a valuable personal estate in this Country, and although he made a will, yet the residue of his estate after certain legacies are paid, being underised, a suit has been instituted by certain persons citizens of Newport claiming to be his heirs at law, against the administrator with the will annexed who is John Richards of this town, . . ."

656. OTIS (JAMES—celebrated American orator and Revolutionary patriot). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Dartmouth, May 16th, 1780." To "Samuel Emery." With transcript, biographical account, and 2 portraits.

" . . . please to add 2 doz Crooked Combs—the Stockings procure if possible, this I send pr. Post, that you need not be hurried when the Cart arrives. . . ."

657. OTIS (JAMES—celebrated American orator and Revolutionary patriot). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Boston, Novr 28th. 1768." To "Mr. Francis Rybot, merchant London." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"I am to inform you that I have at last brot your affairs with Messieurs the Daris's to a Close. The obstructions and Continuancies of those affairs have been on my part unavoidable. The action was Continued two or three Terms at their motion to get evidence from Liverpool how much & in what manner they had paid you but after all they produced no more than appeared by your letters & accounts transmitted me. The Referees have awarded you to pay Costs on ye suit on ye Bond. On ye other suit they have Awarded you One hundred & one pounds three shillings & sixpence of our lawful money and Costs for the Defendants. . . ."

658. PALFREY (JOHN G.—American author). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Cambridge, 1854, March 23." To "C. E. Norton, Esq." With transcript, and portrait.

"My present impression is that, considering my peculiar situation, I shall sooner lose the chance of benefit from an application to the Legislature than hazard the unpleasantness of having my name brought before it, . . ."

659. PALGRAVE (FRANCIS T.—English historian and critic). A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo, "Lupset Hall Wakefield 11 Nov. 67." To "Rossetti."

"As to the scope of your book: I only spoke of 'English art criticized' &c because such remarks were in my head, not because those on foreign art should not equally be included. . . ."

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"I fancy Hazlitt was next to nothing as a painter: probably quite on a level with Shce & Northcote: But Northcote records a number of shrewd sayings. . . . From the sort of practice I got in making the Golden Treasury I was strangely impressed with this:—that one should neglect no source whatever which may in any way bear on one's subject:—never decide a priori that such & such a book is not worth looking at. . . ."

660. PALGRAVE (FRANCIS T.—English historian and critic). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "15, Chester Terrace, Regent's Park. N. W. 23 Jan. 1890." With transcript, and photograph. Relates to a review of the author's "Treasury of Sacred Song."

661. PALMERSTON (LORD VISCOUNT—The Rt. Honbl. Henry John Temple). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Stanhope, 25 Decr. 1811." To "Wm. Marshall, Esq." With portrait.

"Allow me to return you my best Thanks for your very obliging communication & for the assurance of support which it contains—I shall certainly lose many votes by the Course which I have taken upon the Catholic Question. . . ."

662. PARDOE (JULIA M.—English authoress). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Benymead Priory, Acton, May the thirty-first." Letter of invitation to a dinner party. With transcript, and portrait.

663. PARKER (ISAAC—American Jurist; Presiding Justice of the Massachusetts Supreme Court). A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo, "Penobscot 20th Octr 1790." To "Honble Samuel Holten, Esquire." With transcript.

AN EXCEPTIONALLY FINE LETTER relative to the appointment of Court officials.

"The very generous exertions you made to save this County from the ruin which threatened it, at the late appointment of its officers, have induced me to think you feel interested in its welfare. . . . I therefore, Sir take the liberty to address you with some observations & a statement of some facts, which could not, from your distance, have suggested themselves to your mind. . . . Could you, Sir by a continuation of your exertions in our favour obtain for us a balance of good men, by filling up the vacancy in our Court with some decent character, the gratitude of the people here would be proportionate with your benevolence—By associating with Col. Sargent, either Col. Jones, Col. Brewer, Mr Robert Parker or Mr John Peters, the lost reputation of this County might be retrieved. . . ."

664. PARKER (ISAAC—American Jurist; Presiding Judge of the Massachusetts Supreme Court). A.L.S., 3pp. 4to, "2d March." To "Rev'd. John G. Palfrey." With transcript, and portrait.

Gives a very full account of the life of Miss Sarah Jenkins.

"The person whom I recommended to you yesterday as a proper subject of the charitable fund in your hands is Miss Sarah Jenkins 72 or 73 years old, very infirm in her limbs but otherwise not much decayed in mind or body, though incapable of any labour of removing from her chamber except once a year on thanksgiving day when she dines with my family. During the revolutionary war she lived in my fathers family as one of the family. . . ."

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665. PARKER (THEODORE—American scholar and theologian). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "West Roxbury, 8th Aug., 1850." To "Rev. Dr. Sprague." With transcript, biographical account, and portrait.

"I send you in the same enclosure with this letter a sermon for which I have no further use. It has been printed, & soon as I can find a Copy of the printed Sermon, I will send that also. . . ."

666. PARKER (THEODORE—American scholar and theologian). A.L.S., 1p. 12mo, "Boston 2d Oct 1851." To "Editor of Commonwealth." With biographical note, and portrait.

"Will you please to insert the following brief query & oblige

"Call for Information

"Will some of the Editors in Justice inform us of the fate of Thomas Simms—who, at the last advices was still in jail at Savannah. The information might help 'save the Union.' . . ."

667. PARKMAN (FRANCIS—American historical writer). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Boston, July 9, 1858." To "Mr. Shea." With transcript, and portrait.

"I should be particularly gratified by a sight of Marie de l'Incarnation's Letters. August will do quite as well as now, so don't hurry your Ursuline friend.

"I send you today the Faillon Mss. on La Salle, . . .

"P. S. The Cavalier books have come—a most bountiful supply. You will see by one of the Faillon docs. that the abbe was a discreet & sagacious person, resolved not to be imposed upon by his brother's creditors. . . ."

668. PARKMAN (FRANCIS—American historical writer). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "50 Chestnut St. Boston, 9 Feb. 1888." With transcript, and portrait.

"I wish I knew where to find a genuine portrait of Pontiac. I have no belief that such an one exists. . . .

"I am now engaged on the vol. of my New France series covering the period between 1700 and 1750. This, with a few additions to earlier vols. will complete the series, which will then form one continuous work."

669. PARSONS (RICHARD C.—Marshal of the Supreme Court of the United States). A.L.S., 4pp. 12mo, *Personal* "Cleveland, Nov. 11th /80." To "George Alfred Townsend." With transcript, and portrait.

A MOST INTERESTING LETTER relative to a rumor regarding Garfield and Parsons.

"As Douglas Jerrold said, 'Some damned goodnatured friend' called my attention to your letter, published last Monday in the 'Enquirer', relating to Genl Garfield & myself. I wish to say that I think you did Garfield, myself & yourself grave injustice. I have often told you, that your desire to publish a good item in the newspaper, would lead you as Peg Woffington said of Colley Cibber, to serve up your own father & mother with bread & butter, for the pleasure of the scandal. But I did not expect you would condescend to stand sponsor for an old and worn out slander, that has had its day & spent its force. . . ."

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670. PARSONS (THEOPHILUS—Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Massachusetts; one of the "Essex Junto" which opposed the adoption of the State Constitution in 1778). D.S., 1p. 4to, "United States Loan Office, State of Massachusetts, 2d Septembr, 1791." To "Nathaniel Appleton." With biographical note, and portrait. Printed receipt for 4 Certificates of Stock, from Nathaniel Appleton, Commissioner of Loans.

671. PARSONS (THEOPHILUS—Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Massachusetts; one of the "Essex Junto" which opposed the adoption of the state Constitution in 1778). A.D.S., 1p. 4to, "Boston, Aug. 27, 1801." Signed twice. With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"It is my opinion that Bonsire Johnson on his marriage with the Widow White became possessed of all her personal estate as his own, that he is entitled to the dividends arising on all her stock, and may sell and transfer the same, that all money due her on notes & mortgage belongs to him, & that he may legally discharge the notes & mortgages. . . ."

672. PARTON (JAMES—American author). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "New York, 658 Broadway, Ao. 12 - 1864." To "Mrs. Anne C. Botta." With portrait.

"I beg to enclose for your album autographs of Gen. Rutter, Reverdy Johnson and Horace Greeley. Mrs. Parton also sends one of her own—I have long ago given away every line of Gen. Jackson & Aaron Burr that I possessed. . . ."

673. PARTON (JAMES—American author). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Newburyport, Mass. July 6, 1886." To "B. F. Underwood, Esqr. 44 Boylston St. Boston, Mass."

". . . The work alluded to is called 'Lives and Portraits of Distinguished Americans', (no: I am wrong. 'Repository of the Lives and Portraits of Distinguished Americans', . . . It is now seldom met with, and is not mentioned by Allibone nor Duyckinck. . . ."

674. PATERSON (WILLIAM—Associate Justice, U. S. Supreme Court, appointed, 1793). A.N.S., 1p. 8vo, To "George Simpson, Esqr. Cashier of the Bank of the United States." July 7, 1797. With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"On the thirteenth day of July instant pay to Mr Andrew Bayard of the city of Philadelphia, or order, eight hundred and seventy five dollars, being my last quarter's salary due to me . . . as one of the Associate Justices of the Supreme Court of the United States. . . ."

675. PATTI (ADELINA—eminent vocalist). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "July 15th, 1882." With transcript, and portrait.

"Once more might I trouble you to answer this most impertinent letter, and also beg you to give him peper on the insolent phrase, in which he says 'From newspapers and Channels I learn you are immensely rich'. These d... fools here, have not yet learned to let people live in peace. . . ."

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676. PECKHAM (RUFUS WILLIAM—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1895). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Supreme Court of the United States, Washington, D. C., Nov. 28, 1907." To "The Right Rev. William Croswell Doane, Bishop of Albany." With transcript.

"I feel that I must write you and say how much and how truly I sympathize with you in the sadness and sorrow which have come to you from the terrible blow you have so lately received. The loss of your dear and lifelong companion cannot be weighed or measured. . . ."

677. PEEL (SIR ROBERT—English Statesman). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Whitehall 11 May 1839." To "Lord Lyndhurst." With transcript, and 2 portraits.

"Will you have the goodness to be at Lord Aberdeen's House this evening at ten o'clock."

At the foot of the letter in another hand is written,—

"This was to form the Administration which the Queen broke up by refusing to dismiss her Ladies of the Bedchamber."

678. PEMBERTON (THOMAS—historian and merchant of Boston, Massachusetts). A.L.S., 1p. folio, "Boston, April 28, 1798." To "The Revd. Joseph Willard, D. D. President of Harvard College, in Cambridge." With address.

"Presuming that the foregoing list would not be unacceptable to a Gentleman placed at the head of the School of the Prophets, I have taken the liberty to present it to you. A more particular accot. such as the dates of the ordination of the Ministers of Boston, and the Churches of which they were Pastors, may be found in my 'Description of Boston' bound in the same volume with 'An Historical Journal of the American War' which Dr. Eliot delivered the College Librarian, for a place in the Library."

The list referred to in the above letter occupies the first two pages of the sheet on which the letter is written. This list is a very important one, as it contains the names of "The Ministers of Boston, Capital of Massachusetts, who deceased since its settlement to the present period, April, 1798." These names are listed in chronological order, under the various Congregations, and besides the names the time of decease and age of the party is given.

679. PENDLETON (GEORGE H.—United States Senator from Ohio). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Cincinnati 5 Oct. 1862." With portrait, and genealogical note of Pendleton family, 4pp. folio, in the autograph of, and signed by G. H. Pendleton.

680. PENDLETON (GEORGE H.—United States Senator from Ohio). A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo, "Newport, R. I. August 26. 1876." To "Hon. R. E. Monaghan, West Chester, Pa." With transcript, and portrait.

" . . . I was prevented attending the St Louis Convention by an illness, more severe than I have had for very many years; . . . Matters political are very quiet in Ohio. If it were not for Congressional and County elections, there would be scarcely a ripple on the surface. Both parties are making exceptionally good nominations and the struggle will doubtless war very warm. . . ."

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681. PHILLIPS (WENDELL—American orator). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo. "Mch 25 '57." With biographical note, and portrait. Regarding a letter that had been received without signature.

682. PICKERING (TIMOTHY—Secretary of State in 1795). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Salem August 15, 1821." To "The Reverend D. M. Worcester." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"Entertaining an entire belief in your piety, and deep respect for everything religiously sacred . . . you will receive in good part, & as a Christian Friend, the notice I take of two expressions in the first article, in number 25 of The Friend of Peace. The first is the title of that article—'Jehovah the Friend of Peace'; the other, that God is the Supreme President of all Peace Societies.'—The fact of levity or familiarity, in regard to language, is not a subject for discussion or reasoning, but of sentiment; as such I present it to your view. . . ."

683. PICKERING (TIMOTHY—Secretary of State of the United States, Senator from Massachusetts). A.L.S., 4pp. 4to. "Newburgh Octr. 13, 1793;" Also,—A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Newburgh Octr. 12, 1783." To "The Contractors for New Jersey and New-York," asking for rations for Henry Miller, late Corporal, 6th Massachusetts Regiment, who is sick, and needs assistance. With transcripts, biographical sketch, and portrait.

After stating that "I went to the point on Saturday to fix with you the mode of procuring the additional 500 cords of wood; but you were absent," the writer goes into detail regarding the tools to be employed, etc., and ends with

"... Last evening I received a letter from the commander in chief, informing me that congress were averse to the discharge of the troops while the British remained in New-York; and therefore that it would be proper to provide for 2500 or 3000 men; or at least to put matters in train. . . ."

684. PICKERING (TIMOTHY—Secretary of State of the United States; Senator from Massachusetts). A.L.S., 1p. folio, "City of Washington, Decr. 6, 1805." To "The Honble Dwight Foster, Esq., Brookfield, Massachusetts;" Also,—A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Salem. Jany. 17, 1829." To "Samuel Lathrop, Esqr," referring to packet and letter to be forwarded to Mr. Lathrop's son-in-law, Rev. Wm. Sprague. With transcripts, and portrait.

One of the letters refers to the President's message as follows,—

"Some of the Democrats find fault with the Message, as being in the style of what they used to call a 'Federal War-whoop.' There is indeed the appearance of a war-spirit; yet (except with respect to repelling any direct hostilities of Spain in our New World) a latitude is given for other than warlike measures; we may 'try which can do the other most harm; and this may be not only by swords & guns, but by non-importation & other similar projects.'"

685. PIERCE (FRANKLIN—14th President of the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo. No place, "Oct. 8, 1855." To "Hon Henry May, Baltimore Md." With addressed envelope, franked by Pierce. With transcript, biography, and portrait.

"I have just signed Mr Cohen's Commission as Lieut. of Marines. . . ."

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686. PIERCE (FRANKLIN—14th President of the United States). A.L.S., 3pp. 4to, "Washington Decr. 13, 1839." To "Asa Fowler Esq., Concord, N. H." Franked with Pierce's signature. With transcript, biographical note, newspaper clippings, and portrait.

Relative to papers in General Boyd's handwriting in connection with the writs of the "Mechaniks Bank vs. White." With the following interesting notice of his visit to the House of Representatives.

"I thought day before yesterday, that the House would have organized before this but I believe some of our State right friends find a stumbling block in that great seal of the State and are very much troubled with their notions of State Sovereignty &c It is difficult to say what will be the results of the whole matter—There is great disorder & confusion in the House every day—The Chairman from his total want of qualifications for the situation has fallen into general contempt—I was in the Hall a little while this morning and it was a perfect Babel—The Chairman did not even call to order—cries of Mr. Chairman—order—order—I claim the floor—go on order—go ahead—I call the Gentleman to order—The Gentleman is himself out of order—Sit down—I rise to a question of order and the like were ringing from every quarter of the Hall, in the midst of all this and much loud laughter, the old man stood with his hands folded and smiled with apparent complacency upon the scene of disorder which it was his duty to curb . . ."

687. PIERCE (FRANKLIN—14th President of the United States). A.N.S., 1p. 4to, "To the Senate of the United States. Washington, July 7. 1856." With biographical note, and portrait. Transmits report of Secretary of War.

688. PIERCE (FRANKLIN—14th President of the United States). A.L.S., 5pp. 8vo, "Clarendon Hotel, Jan'y 6, 1860." To "Hon. Jeff Davis, Washington, D. C." *With lithographical facsimile of the same;* Also,—A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Camp 15th Ill Inft. Natchez, Miss, Aug. 29th, 1863," by Capt. Wm. H. Gibbs, Co. H. 15th Ill., 2d. Brig. 4th Divis, Army of Tennessee, to the Editor of the "Independent Democrat," Concord, New Hampshire, *relative to the finding of the above letter and enclosing a copy of the same* (2pp. 4to); Also,—A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, by F. R. Palmer, "Centerville, N. Y., Dec. 24th. 1863," to the "Ed. Ind. Democrat," *forwarding the original Pierce letter.* With portraits of Pierce and Davis. Each leaf neatly hinged in one folder. Each leaf of the original Pierce letter has been neatly protected by transparent gauze and inlaid.

AN EXCEEDINGLY RARE AND IMPORTANT POLITICAL LETTER, in which Pierce looks on Jefferson Davis as the "Coming Man." The lithograph accompanying the same, is one of a number reproduced for election use in three states. After Captain Gibbs had transmitted his copy of the Pierce letter to "The Independent Democrat," it was thought advisable to procure the original. Captain Gibbs having however in the meantime sent the same to his friend F. R. Palmer, the latter on receipt of a letter from Captain Gibbs forwarded the original Pierce letter to the Editor of the "Independent Democrat."

The following extracts are taken from Pierce's letter to Davis.—

" . . . I have just had a pleasant interview with Mr. Shepley, whose
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Clarendon Astor
Jan'y 6, 1860

My dear friend—

I wrote you
an unauthorized note
a day or two since. I have
just had a pleasant
interview with Mr. Shelby
whose courage & fidelity
are equal to his learning
and talents. He says he
would rather fight the
battle with you on the
Standard-bearer in 1860 than
under the auspices of any
other leader. The feeling
and judgment of Mr. S.
in this matter is I am
confident ~~unmistakably~~ rapidly

FRANKLIN PIERCE—PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

Autograph Letter, Signed. 1860

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courage and fidelity are equal to his learning and talents. He says he would rather fight the battle with you as the standard bearer in 1860 than under the auspices of any other leader. The feeling and judgment of Mr. S. in this relation is I am confident rapidly gaining ground in New England. Our people are looking for 'the coming Man.' . . . Let me suggest that in the running debates of Congress, full justice seems to me not to have been done to the Democracy of the North. I do not believe that our friends of the south have any just idea of the state of feeling hurrying at this moment to the pitch of intense exasperation between those who respect their political obligations, and those who have apparently no impelling power but that which fanatical passion on the subject of domestic slavery imparts. I have never believed that actual disruption of the Union can occur without blood, and if through the madness of Northern Abolitionists that dire calamity must come, the fighting will not be along Mason & Dixon's line merely. It will be within our own borders in our own streets between the two classes of citizens to whom I have referred. . . ."

Captain Gibbs in his letter writes relative to finding of the original Pierce letter in Davis's library,—

"I was fortunate enough to secure one as late as Jan. 1860 written by Mr. Pierce to Davis, a verbatim copy of which I take the liberty of sending you. . . . I have no other object than an earnest desire to show up the doings, the feelings, and the sympathies of prominent men at the North whom I fear are not as loyal as they might be. . . ."

Mr Palmer in his letter forwarding the original Pierce letter writes,—

"Received a letter yesterday from Wm. H. Gibbs . . . requesting me to send the enclosed letter of Frank Pierce to Jeff. Davis, to you. . . . Pierce from his stand point concluded that the spirit of '76 had departed, and that the descendants of our revolutionary forefathers would bow in meek submission to any edict sent forth by 'the coming man.' . . . His friends (Pierce's) in this region would very much like to know of his whereabouts. . . ."

[See Illustration]

689. PIERCE (FRANKLIN—14th President of the United States). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Andover, Mass. Decr. 27, 1860." To "Rev. Dr. W. B. Sprague, Albany, N. Y." With transcript, portrait, and notice of Electors on the Democratic ticket,—*"Pierce and King."*

". . . To have complied with your request, by writing a Sketch of my early friend, class-mate and room-mate in College,—the late Rev. Zenas Cuddehll would have been a welcome task—a true labor of love, but, as your volume was passing through the press, it was too late, before I could find a day to devote to it. . . ."

690. PIERCE (FRANKLIN—14th President of the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Concord, N. H. July 14, 1862." To "Brantz Mayer Esq Baltimore Md." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

Written on the receipt of Mayer's "Address of the United States Central Committee of Maryland."

". . . Your positions are not likely to be controverted, but will your suggestions at this time command an unrestrained, candid and dispassionate consideration? Will the agitators be weaker, because with them, as you say, 'Everything is indefinite as to means, system and results'? . . ."

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- 690A. PIERCE (FRANKLIN—14th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Friday Mar 7." To "Hon. J. Davis, Secy. of War."

"Will you send me the recommendations on file for Capt Love(?) of California."

Endorsed on back,—*Gen. Davis, Secy of War.*

691. PINCKNEY (THOMAS—Governor of South Carolina; Aide-de-Camp to General Gates). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Charleston, 30th March, 1815." To "His Excellency Governor Early." With transcript, biographical account, and portrait.

"In answer to the inquiry contained in your Excellency's Letter of the 20th of this Month, I have to inform you, that orders were given some weeks ago to relieve by Regulars the Militia who are in Garrison in the Creek Nation; and by a Letter lately received from Major Cook of the 8th Infantry at Fort Hawkins, I have no doubt the order ere now has been executed."

692. POBEDONOSTREFF (CONSTANTINE PETROVICH—eminent Russian Statesman, and Procurator of the Holy Synod). A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo, "Petersbourg, le 16 juillet, 1892." To "Frère Augustin de Angelis." With French and English transcripts.

FINE LETTER in French relative to the Bishop of San Francisco, California. English translation in part as follows.—

"It is a long time now since I received your letter and up to the present it has been unanswered. The same is the case with brother Villate. The reason is that the state of church affairs in America was completely unknown to us and we had no sure organ of communication. Wladimir, our Bishop of San Francisco, was unfortunately implicated in disagreeable matters on account of the scandals that have been stirred up against him. Our consul at San Francisco being absent, his successor not being named—the organ was wanting also. The revocation of Bishop Wladimir was decided on long ago at the Holy Synod, but the affair dragged along because of the difficulty of finding some one to take his place—and the members of our clergy acquainted with the language and customs of the American country are rarely to be found. . . ."

693. POLAND (LUKE P.—United States Senator). Two A.L.'s., each 1p. 4to and 8vo, "Feby. 17, 1874," and "Jan. 12, 1881." With transcripts, biographical account, and portrait. Regarding Clinton Rice of Washington and Joel C. Baker of Rutland, Vermont.

694. POLK (JAMES K.—11th President of the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Washington City, Oct. 6th 1837." To "Messrs Stanton & Stokes, Baltimore, Md." With address franked with Polk's signature and having a fine impression of his wax seal. Accompanied by 2 portraits, a transcript of the letter, and a note of Polk.

"Stanton & Stokes" were mail contractors. The letter is a request for "a Coach, from Fredericktown Md. to Wheeling, to leave the former place, on the arrival of the Cars from Baltimore on the 17th instant. My company will take and pay for the whole coach; and as a part of our number will consist of ladies, one object we have in view in chartering the whole coach is to avoid being too much crowded."

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695. PORTER (DAVID DUDLEY—American Admiral). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, To "Archibald Campbell." With transcript, biographical account, and portrait.

"Your note and the enclosure came while I was at Annapolis, and ever since I came back I have been sick and, unable to answer it, and I herewith enclose a receipt for the amount.—I am in hopes soon to get you a more pleasant neighbor, your pumpkin friend next door intends moving out . . ."

696. PORTER (FITZ-JOHN—Major-General in Civil War). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "119 Liberty St. New York, Jan'y 30th 1880." To "Col. Nicholson:" Also,—autograph telegram, "March 1, 1880." With transcript, and portrait. As one lot.

" . . . That slip I presume came from the National Republican of Washington, which would not if it could tell the truth in my case. The idea of that paper is to make my case a partisan one, & to try to convince the country that my friends & I are trying to do so. It is the reverse. One member of that Court now in the House wishes to make the case partisan, and has used McCook for the purpose. He pretends the Court is attacked, when he knows to the contrary—on the contrary exculpated it. . . . Well some few Republicans will fight the bill—they will be mainly Garfield's followers—men he has deluded—I don't fear the discussion. . . ."

The Telegram requests that a copy of Comte de Paris' correspondence be sent to him.

697. PORTER (JAMES MADISON—Member of the Pennsylvania Constitutional Convention in 1838, and a founder of Lafayette College). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Easton April 7, 1856." To "Harrison Wright Esq Harrisburg." With portrait. On financial matters.

698. PORTER (JANE—British novelist). A.L.S., 4pp. 4to, "Long Ditton — Surrey — May 12th 1819." To "George Bartley, Esqr." With transcript, and portrait.

FINE LETTER RELATIVE TO MR. BARTLEY'S LECTURE TOUR IN AMERICA AND THOMAS CAMPBELL'S CONNECTION WITH THE SAME.

" . . . I wrote to Mr. Thomas Campbell, on the subject of the Lectures. —Two days ago, I was favoured with his answer; and the part which relates to your business, I shall copy below. . . ."

"With regard to Mr. Bartley,—I have had a letter from Miss Baillie conveying the same proposition; and, as you have done, very deservedly describing Mr. B.—'s character—I have not the least distrust on that score, but the firmest belief that Mr. B— is a man of perfect honour, and capable from his powers of recitation to do justice to better lectures than I could send him—But I know that the result of sending my Ms to American would be little different from committing it to the American press—I have had serious difficulty in preventing such extracts from these lectures appearing in our own papers as would go far to diminish their value to me as a copyright—Mr. Bartley's honour and character are above suspicion, but he could not prevent their being reported to Newspapers by his auditors—Those reports would reappear in England

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Ms. A. 9. 2. 23. 1759.

My dear William.

I hope as if weather needs you will find yourself better — & I hope in my way down to & eastward to have a pleasure of calling upon you at Kittery — and therefore I answer of all those matters mentioned in your letter to that time. — The reason why a Proclamation was not out was that the Court had not gone thro' of whole Provision — as soon as I Court finished a Proclamation was issued — I sent by Col. Hill & Major Butts four Black Commissions for Officers to & 150 Men to be raised in a County of York for an Expedition, as I suppose some part of these will be raised in Col. Waldo's Regt. You will be so good to let one or more in proportion to ^{you} ~~officers~~ they raise for this service be given to him — As I have no return from Col. Pribble what number of Men he gets out of each Regt I cannot make any proportion between a two Regts. — Col. Waldo who brings this will I should suppose comply in any settlement you make of that matter together. — As I have a pleasure to tell you that there is now really a Fleet & Army going to attack Quebec by way of St. River so I have a pleasure

THOMAS POWNALL—COLONIAL GOVERNOR OF MASSACHUSETTS

Autograph Letter, Signed. 1759

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and would take away all gloss of novelty from the Lectures when I again come forward with them either in print, or in public delivery—Mr. B—I hope will clearly understand my motive for declining his proposition—and in conveying my refusal I beg to be remembered to him and Mrs: Bartley with my best wishes, and much regret that I cannot comply with it."

"... I revere the judgement of the College of Boston, for having taken advantage of your being so near them; and, I hope, the success you meet there, as a Lecturer, will induce you to begin the same course, on your return to England.—Indeed, I have no doubt that were you to become a regular Professor of Elocution, when you come back, you might amass a very handsome sum annually; . . . Some very eloquent Lectures on the Great British Poets, in two octavo vols: were published about 15 years ago, by my friend, the Poet Percival Stockdale.—Owing to a peculiar circumstance at the time, hardly half a dozen copies ever saw the light; . . . When this venerable Poet died, he bequeathed me the Right of all his Works; so, of course, all the property that remains of them, is mine, and I may do with it, what I please. Whether there be a copy of these Lectures extant in any Bookseller's Warehouse in London, I know not; but on receiving Mr. Campbell's decision I wrote to Longman & Rees, to send a copy of Percival Stockdale's Lectures, (if they could get one) directed to you. . . ."

699. POPE (ALEXANDER—English poet and critic). A.L.S., 1p. Svo, "To Mr. Richardson, Queens Square, Bloomsbury." No date. With transcript, and portrait.

"... I will set apart ye whole day, & therefore pray dine with me. I am sorry yr Son is still detained, I hope not by Indisposition. There are some strokes in yr Letter that give me uneasiness. I hope not with too much cause, . . ."

700. PORTRAITS. A collection of portraits, including Napoleon Bonaparte, George Washington, Henry Ward Beecher, John M. Daniel, Luke P. Poland, with biographical sketch, Reverdy Johnson, Charles Kemble, the actor, John Stuart Mill, Jeremy Belknap, Noah Webster, Joanna Baillie, William Ewart Gladstone, and many others. Together, 46 pieces.

701. POWNALL (THOMAS—Colonial Governor of Massachusetts). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Boston, March 29, 1759." To "The Honle Sr Wm. Pepperell, Bt." With transcript, and biographical note.

VERY RARE AND FINE COLONIAL LETTER.

"I hope as ye Weather mends you will find yourself better, & I hope in my way down to ye Eastward to have ye pleasure of calling upon you at Kittery—and therefore ye answer of all these matters mentioned in your Letter to that time.—The reason why ye Proclamation was not out was that the Court had not gone thro' ye whole Provision—as soon as ye Court finished ye Proclamation was issued. I sent by Col Hill & Major Cutts four Blank Commission for Officers to ye 130 Men to be rais'd in ye County of York for ye Expedition, as I suppose some part of these will be rais'd in Col Waldo's Regt. You will be so good to lett one or more in proportion to that they Raise for this Service be given to him—As I have no return from Col Pribble what Number of Men he gott out of each Regt I cannot make any Proportion between ye two Regts. Col

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Dorseth. Monday. Decr 13. 1743

New & Dr Sir

It is with great Pleasure I rec^d yours of Aug. 12. last, wth your most agreeable Present of y^e Glasgow Weekly History, came to hand on October 24.

I hope you have before now rec^d mine of today 14. w^{ch} I sent to m^r Lewis Printer of y^e London Weekly History, for conveyance to you.

But I am somewhat surpris'd & much troubled at y^e unhappy miscarriage of y^e Present I made you among other Tracts of my Son's weekly Paper entitled y^e Christian History, which I enclosed in y^e same Packet with y^e Letter you have already received; & because I knew of no nearer way, I think I sent your Packet under cover of another directed to y^e Rev Mr Hamilton of y^e Dorseth Parish at Glasgow. I sent him y^e same number of Tracts & Papers as I enclosed for you: They were of y^e same kind, excepting a new Paper: & I reckon y^t in my Letter to him I nam'd a number'd y^e Tracts sent to him, & in my Letter to you I nam'd a number'd y^e Tracts intended for you. But least I omitted to do so, I now set down Those I sent you, as follow —

1. The Christian History 2. No 1 to 15 inclusively.
2. Advice of country of Hampshire Church.
3. Declaration concerning Mr Davenport.
4. A Letter from Scotland Printed Here in 8^{vo}
5. Testimony of our Little Convention.
6. Mr Moorhead's Poetical address to Mr Davenport.
7. Rev Dickinson's Display
8. A Mr Edwards' Book.
9. Boston Evening Post of Nov. 16.

The Tracts I sent to Mr Hamilton of y^e Dorseth, were all y^e same, excepting y^e last, in Lieu of w^{ch} I sent him a Boston Newsletter.

It may be, y^t thro' hurry I might ^{put} your's with his, & not enclose them in several covers: & this might be y^e occasion of Mr Hamilton's mistake & so of their not coming to you. But I hope, ~~sooner~~, y^e mistake is now discovered & rectified.

I Design to send you a constant supply of our Christian History as long as it continues; and as I intend you shall have them all; so in case any ^{numbers} should be missing, please to let me know, & I will endeavour to supply them. And promising you have before now received those I sent you to No 15 inclusively, I now send you enclosed herewith y^e numbers following to this Day, viz 20 to 44.

They are indeed as you suppose, y^e first Tracts of my only Son's early Devotion, wth ~~no~~ ^{no} ~~have~~ ^{have} ~~often~~ ^{often} ~~of~~ ^{of} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~publish~~ ^{publish} at you are pleased to express it; he being but 21 Years & 6 Days old when he published y^e 1st number, & but a Dischilod of 6 Mo when he began; tho' y^e beginning of July last he took his 2^d Degree, 10 Master of Arts, at our Harvard.

THOMAS PRINCE—NEW ENGLAND CLERGYMAN

Autograph Letter. 1743

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Waldo who brings this will I should suppose comply in any settlement you make of that matter together. As I have ye pleasure to tell you there is now really a Fleet & Army going to attack Quebec by way of ye River so I have ye pleasure to tell you that 2500 of our Men are ordered that way In which Number I have included those rais'd in ye Co of York. And to save Billetting to ye Province I most wish that as soon as you have rais'd your Men you will send them to ye Castle where they will receive ye King's Provisions for all the Troops will embark from hence together with ye Train & Webb's Regt & are expected at Louisbourg by ye 20th April. . . ."

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702. PRESCOTT (WILLIAM H.—American historian). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Boston, June 27, 1844." To "Professor Walker." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait. Relative to literary honors conferred by Harvard College on Mr. Andrew Wilson, a classmate.

703. PRESCOTT (WILLIAM H.—American historian). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Beacon Street (Boston), March 27." To "Mr. D. Phillips, Esqr., Winter Street." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"I had supposed that the plates of the Cong. of Mexico did not require any repairs. As it seems however that they do, & that the engravings also should be retouched, I think the sooner it is attended to the better. . . ."

704. PRESCOTT (WILLIAM H.—American historian). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, To "Mr. Macready." With transcript, and portrait.

"I beg you will make no apologies for not paying me those attentions which I know you would be happy to bestow if it was in your power. But I am well aware of the heavy misfortunes that have fallen on your family, and from my heart I sympathize with you & Mrs Macready. . . ."

705. PRINCE (THOMAS—noted New England clergyman, graduated at Harvard in 1707, was an eminent linguist, and said to have been the most learned scholar, with the exception of Cotton Mather, of his day, in New England). A.L., 2pp. 4to, inlaid, "Boston Masschets. Dec. 13, 1743." With biographical note, and portrait. A penciled note on back reads "*To the Rev. William McCulloch.*"

AN IMPORTANT LETTER relative to his son Thomas's literary work, with mention of the "Christian History." Reads in part as follows,—

" . . . I design to send you a constant supply of our Christian History as long as it continues. . . . They are indeed, as you suppose, ye First Fruit of my only son's early Labours, wh with He has obliged ye Publick, as you are pleased to express it; he being but 21 years & 6 days old when He Published ye 1st number, & but a Bachelor of Arts when he began, tho ye beginning of July last He took his 2d Degree, i. e. Master of Arts, at our Harvard College in Cambridge about 4 miles from Boston. . . ."

"We are particularly obliged for your Weekly History; out of wh my son intends to take what has a name subscribed, & insert in his Xn History it being a rule He would keep as close to as possible, to forbear inserting any thing of fact or History without some name or other to give it credit. . . ."

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706. PROCTOR (REDFIELD—American statesman; Secretary of War under President Harrison). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "War Department, Washington City, May 5th, 1891." To "Major B. R. Corwin, Secy." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.
Refers to General Sherman as follows,—
"*. . . So long as our Union stands, the name of one who did so much to preserve it will be honored, and his memory will be perpetuated in the hearts of the people.*"
707. PUTNAM (HERBERT—Chief Librarian of the Library of Congress). A.L.S., 2pp. 12mo, "Washington, Tuesday 4 P. M." To "Mr. Benton." Also,—A.L. (third person.) 1p. January 30th, 1906. Together, 2 pieces.
"*We are expecting the Chinese Commissioners and the Chinese Minister to lunch with us here tomorrow (at the Round Table, but not with it, as our regular company will use the other room).*
"*Do join us if you can, and telephone me either way. . . .*"
708. PUTNAM (W. G.). L.S., 2pp. 12mo, "United States Courts, Boston March 1, 1906." To "Mr. Benton." Thanking the recipient for roses received.
709. QUINCY (JOSIAH—eminent American statesman; author of "The History of Harvard University"). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Boston, Dec., 3, 1858." To "John S. Tyler, President, Boston Burns Club." With transcript, and portrait.
"*It will give me very great pleasure to join your association on the 25th of Jan'y. in doing honor to the memory of the Great Poet of Scotland. . . .*"
710. RACHEL (ELISA—eminent French actress). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo. No place or date. With English transcript, and portrait.
English translation, as follows,—
"*I am so fatigued, and my bed seems to me so sweet to remain in, that I am missing today the engagement I made yesterday to go to the bank to deposit (money). . . .*"
711. RANKE (LEOPOLD—German historian). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, in English, "Berlin 20th March 1865." With transcript, and portrait. Letter of appreciation.
712. RANNEY (AMBROSE ARNOLD—Representative from Massachusetts in United States Congress). A.L.S., 1p. 12mo, "Boston May 8/87." To ———. With biographical note, and portrait. Personal letter.
713. RAWLINSON (SIR HENRY—English orientalist; deciphered the cuneiform inscriptions at Nineveh). A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo, "1 Hill Street, Wednesday, April 30." To "Mr. Twigg." With transcript, and portrait. Sends thanks for receipt of Almanack and requests address of Messrs. Wheatley & Co.

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714. RAWSON (EDWARD—Colonial Secretary to the Massachusetts-Bay Colony). A.L.S., 1p. folio, "Boston, 14 August, 1683." To "Joseph Dudley & John Richards, Esqrs at their lodgings at Mr. Ezekiel Hutchinsons. woolen Draper in Pauischurchyard, London." With address, transcript, and portrait.

VERY FINE EARLY COLONIAL LETTER.

"Having written unto you both by Mr Joells, Jenner etc. by order of Our Court & council the then necessary & nothing since occasioning your further trouble only in answer to ye last relating to Richard Thaire our Honorable Goumior & Council ordered me to give notice to the Town of Braintry yt his Majties pleasure signified in the order from the council-board; wch said Thaire brought, & after abt a month detained deliuering it to or Goumior; that they the said Towne should send an Authentique Coppye of his deed; as he Calls it, as also To ye Exccutors of the last will of the late Major Savage and to Capt Roger Clap as in said order is required . . . we have long expected Mr. Carey; about 4 or 5 days since a frygo! Arrived yt brought the Goumior of new yorke wth scnerall Gentn wth him who its said by land are for that Journey on the morrow morning our Troopce waytes on him to dedham; you wll receive from Capt Jno Hall a letter subscribed by Capt Bruckel Srgt Quinscy & ye Rest of the selectment of Braintry wth a true copie of ye deed yt Thaire so much desires . . ."

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715. RAWSON (EDWARD—Colonial Secretary to the Massachusetts-Bay Colony). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "22. August 1676." With biographical note, and portrait. An original draft, with cancellations. Relative to Colonial affairs in the Massachusetts-Bay colony.

716. READ (THOMAS BUCHANAN—American poet and artist). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Studio Building, 10th St: New York, March 5, 1859." To "Mr. Underwood." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

" . . . When I look back to that delightful week with you and Holmes, Longfellow, Lowell (although I saw too little of him) Quincy and Fields, etc.—it fills me with unspeakable longing to be back. . . ."

717. REHAN (ADA—noted American actress). A.L.S., 2pp. small 4to, "Daly's Theatre. Under the Management of Augustin Daly. New York, Dec 1st 1890." To "Mr. Boughton." With biographical note, and portrait.

"I send the box with delight. I hope nothing will turn up to cause a disappointment."

718. RICHARDSON (SAMUEL—eminent English novelist). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "London, Sept. 27, 1758." To "Miss Morris." With transcript, and 2 portraits. Letter inlaid.

VERY RARE AND FINE.

"How greatly does my dear and worthy Miss Morris over-rate the Civilities, which our ever-obliging Friend, Mr. Lefevre, by so kindly

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introducing each to the others acquaintance, enabled me to pay her! To commence an Acquaintance with a Mind so very good, is in every Sense of the Word to commence a Friendship with it. Between Miss Morris and me it could not but be more than even Friendship. A Regard so truly filial could not but engage an Affection on my Side as truly paternal. . . .

"As to Length of Acquaintance have not I, who, however, am not hasty in contracting new Friendships, observed often that there are Minds with which one may be better acquainted in a few weeks, than one can with others in a greater number of Years; especially in cases where Self is intirely out of the Question? I have 4 good Girls, by as good a Mother. She and they respect Miss Morris; I knew they would from the first. I flatter myself in their Behalf, that their Esteem is strengthened by a Likeness of Manners, which engages the Affections of worthy Hearts of the same Sex, much more strongly than what is generally done where the other, for Considerations chiefly interested, tho' miscalled Love, is for obtruding its busy Self. . . ."

719. RIPLEY (GEORGE—American author, member of "The Brook Farm" institution). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Office N. A., 346 Broadway, New York, Sept. 9. 1859." To "Rev. Dr. Sprague." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"I beg you to accept my sincere thanks for your sketches of Dr. Green &c, which, (wonderful in the experience of Cyclopaedists,) arrived before the time. They are eminently appropriate, & written with a rare comprehension of the plan of our work, as well as appreciation of the character of the subjects. . . . If you had any leisure at your command, I should certainly suggest to our publishers to tempt you to take the entire charge of our American clerical biography. . . ."

720. RISTORI (ADELAIDE—eminent Italian actress). A.L.S., 4pp. 12mo. "Chicago, March 29, 1867." Also,—A.L.S., 1p. small 4to, "Tovino, Feb. 6, 1855." With English transcript of one letter, and portrait. Partial English translation of first letter, as follows,—

"Having learned from our common friend Miss Field of your return from Washington I would thank you again for all the letters and opinions that I received with great satisfaction informing me of the unpleasant news concerning our unhappy country from which we have been away for so long a time. It is useless, unless we stop gossiping and dwelling upon injurious partialities (party-affairs?), (to expect anything else but that) we shall finally convert into mere compassion, the admiration which we had gained in the world in the past. . . ."

721. RISTORI (ADELAIDE—eminent Italian actress). A.N.S., 1p. 8vo, "Rome, 18 Feb. 1882." With English transcript, and early lithographic portrait.

English translation.—

"The affections of a wife and mother strengthen the heart, comfort against the injustices of the world, and triumph over oblivion."

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722. ROBERTSON (WILLIAM—historian, and Principal of Edinburgh University). A.L.S., 1pp. 4to, "College of Edinr. March 8-1771." With transcript, and portrait. Lengthy letter regarding a degree to be conferred on a Mr. Enfield, and with mention of the city of Manchester, England.
723. ROOSEVELT (THEODORE—26th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Albany, April 1st." (1884). To Mr. Potts; "*Of course I will do all I can for the proposed Police Act; I will take no steps till I hear from the Committee of 83 or from you.*" Also,—1p. 4to, MANUSCRIPT in the Autograph of the late Ex-President, being a leaf from his "Winning of the West," presented to late J. H. Benton by Worthington C. Ford, with the latter's letter relating to the same. There is also an engraved invitation card requesting the honor of "Vice President Roosevelt's" attendance at a dinner given by the "New Algonquin Club of Boston," and a printed announcement to members notifying them of Roosevelt's acceptance of the same, 1901. Several clippings and a portrait of Roosevelt accompany the above.
724. ROOSEVELT (THEODORE—26th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "State of New York. Assembly Chamber, Albany, April 7th 1884." To "Alfred T. Waite, Esq." Enclosing letter relative to Mr. Chamberlain, who is *one of the most keen sighted, fearless and absolutely upright correspondents that there is in Albany.* With transcript, and portrait.
725. ROOSEVELT (THEODORE—26th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "The White House, Washington, April 16th, 1908." To "J. H. Benton Esq." With addressed envelope,—Kindness of H. K. (sic) Lodge." With portrait of Roosevelt; also letter by Mr. Lodge referring to the peculiar spelling of his name by the President.
Colonel Roosevelt's letter is one of thanks for the receipt of a book from Mr. Benton, and mentions the Lyman libel case.
726. ROOSEVELT (THEODORE—26th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C. Dec 21st." To "Mr. Clement." With transcript, and portrait.
"*I have read with the keenest interest and pleasure your admirable editorials; I feel like thanking you personally for them—and yet I know you wrote them only because you deemed that thus you would be wielding the power of your paper for the best interests of the Commonwealth. . . .*"
727. ROSECRANS (WILLIAM—Major-General in Civil War). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Willards' Hotel, James Sykes. Washington, D. C. Feb. 18, 1871." With transcript, and portrait.
"*I am writing to a man named Sela Chamberlain who has been mentioned to me as a proper person to undertake the Mexican Railway matter of which the newspapers spoke and which the Mex. Govt sends me. . . .*"

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728. ROSS (JONATHAN—Chief Justice, Vermont Supreme Court, appointed, 1890, and United States Senator). A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo, "Supreme Court of Vermont, St Johnsbury, Dec. 2, 1898." To "Hon. J. H. Benton, Jr."

"I have no doubt that Haywood's Gazetteer in speaking of 'Benton's Meadows' refers to them as having taken their name from their occupation by your ancestors. When I came here in the fall of 1844 to attend the Academy the meadows were owned and occupied by Mr Joseph P. Fairbanks. . . ."

729. RUSKIN (JOHN—English artist, and writer). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Denmark Hill, S.E. Dec 9th. 1868." To "F. Metcalf, Esq." With transcript, and portrait.

Gives his advice for the reading of "Anne of Geierstein."

"As Quentin Durward has been read, may I advise Anne of Geierstein; with occasional reference to the last chapters of Quentin Durward—the reading of the story being made subservient to getting a clear and sure knowledge of the characters and history of Charles the Bold and Margaret of Anjou. . . ."

730. RUSKIN (JOHN—English artist, and writer). A.L.S., 5pp. 8vo, "Ca' Ferro, 12th Jan. 77." To "Rawdon Brown," whom he calls "Papa." With transcript, and portrait.

"I found three copies of the Manciola in question, that of the Scuola della Madonna—or as it writes itself, simply 'la mariigola de lavergene madona ica maria de valerde mare de misericordia.'"

"The first copy is the original book of 1308, a most precious trouvaille. It is in extremely beautiful fourteenth century rubric with blue, consisting of 30 leaves, with a coarse M S. bound up with it which I have not yet examined. It is written in Venetian dialect which makes it to me, supremely interesting. . . ."

"The second book is the stately one out of which the Corer leaves have been cut. I have looked over more than ten thousand illuminated MSS. in the British Museum, but have never there or elsewhere seen anything to equal this in pure penmanship, rubric and blue:—and there are very few which can rival the Corer sheets in painting. . . ."

"The third book is the one Mr Cheney saw. It contains the illuminations he accurately describes, which are of the date of the book, 1392, going on to 1408 where they give way to bad later work. . . ."

731. RUSKIN (JOHN—English artist, and writer). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "21st Nov. (79)." To "Miss Miller." With portrait.

"I have read all you had so kindly and clearly told me with the most earnest interest and am indeed now in earnest hope that I shall be able to plan with you some unrestricted and simple fulfillment of your thoughts and powers, which cannot be interrupted by inspection—or paralyzed by incompressive doubt. . . ."

732. RUTLEDGE (JOHN—Governor of South Carolina; Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1789. A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "April 8th. 1780." To "Genl. Lincoln." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

FINE REVOLUTIONARY LETTER.

"Capt. Blake having proposed, to me, the following Queries, I send them to you, . . ."

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"Should not a Vessel be placed, to guard the Obstructions in Cooper-River, & prevent the Enemy's searching for or attempting to destroy 'em? —' & another to cover the Obstructions in Hog-Island Creek, & prevent the Enemy's weighing 'em?—Might not the enemy's Vessel weh has attempted to go into that Creek, be destroyed, or injured, by some heavy guns, brot. from Fort-Moultrie, & placed on the shore near here, or, by the Vessel (if of sufficient force,) covering these obstructions? Are not Row-Boats necessary, to prevent the Enemy's Naval force communicating, by means of Cooper, or Ashley River, or Hog-Island Creek, with their Land Force, or with the Fort."

733. RUTLEDGE (JOHN—Governor of South Carolina; Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1789). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to. "Philadelphia, August 6, 1782." To "The Honble Brigadier Genl O. H. Williams, In the Care of Mr Saml Smith, at Baltimore in Maryland." With address, transcript, and portrait.

"As I understood, from Genl Greene, before I left Carolina, that the Indigo sent to Baltimore would not be wanted for the Purpose for which it was at first intended & that the proceeds might therefore be applied to my order for the Use of the State. I request that you will be pleased to inform me, as soon as convenient, if Genl Greene was not mistaken in that Point whether the Indigo is sold, & if it is, that you will direct Mr Saml Smith to transmit to me the account Sales of it, & to honour my Draught for the Ballance of Money which may remain in his Hands after payment of the order which I gave you, on him, as, even that Ballance, small as it must be, would relieve some of the distressed Citizens of Charles-Town, . . ."

735. SALA (GEORGE AUGUSTUS—English litterateur). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Camblin Town, Thursday." With transcript, and portrait.

"Being at Gambart's Crystal Palace feed yestreen, Sydney Cooper told me you were at the Academy dinner, and that next year the R. A.'s intend to enlarge their list of literary invites. I hope you enjoyed yourself. You were not, I fancy, at the Literary Fund, last night. Trollope was. He is the Herr von Joel of letters, and 'in consequence of his services will always be retained on this establishment' Reverdy Johnson (that interminable old Magpie and stump orator) talking about the Alabama, as usual, said that he was glad to find himself among the Literary men of England, . . ."

736. SALVINI (TOMMASO—great Italian tragedian). A.L.S., (in Italian), 2pp. 8vo, "New-York, 27 Feb. 1890;" Also.—Autograph poem, signed. With English transcript of letter, and portrait.

Partial translation of letter, as follows,—

"To the questions you ask me, I answer categorically,—

"First,—I have no predilection in the parts I represent,

"Second,—The part which is best adapted to my figure I think is Othello. . . ."

737. SARGENT (JOHN S.—American artist). A.L.S., 8pp. 8vo, "April 29th 1914, 31, Tite Street, Chelsea, S. W. London." To "J. H. Benton, Esq, President of the Trustees of the Public Library." With addressed envelope, transcript, and portrait.

AN EXCEPTIONALLY FINE LETTER relative to the artist's work in connection with his fresco work in the Boston Public Library.

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"I have received your letter of April 15 enclosing duplicate copies of my contracts for the Library Decoration, and I am extremely sorry to find that I have overlooked or rather not discovered, among the sheets of the contract that you had kindly sent me on November 8th 1913, a letter from yourself which deserved my immediate attention and acknowledgment. I beg to apologize for this unintentional neglect.

"The slowness with which my work for the Boston Library has progressed, in spite of my having devoted practically all my time to it for the last many years, and the fact that the date agreed upon for the completion of the first contract is long past, is a matter that I am very keenly conscious of and regret very deeply. I also feel very grateful for the handsome way in which you and the Trustees have refrained from hurrying the work and from remonstrating with me for what may have seemed an unjustifiable delay.

"The fact is that if I had had any experience of decorative work when I was honoured with this commission, or foreseen the kind of decoration that I should adopt, I should have known that the time specified was inadequate, and asked for greater latitude.

"As the work has progressed, I have made a point of showing it to Bostonians like Colonel Higginson, Mr. Agassiz, Mr. Abbott, Mr. Boit, and others, so as to preclude any idea that it was being neglected. It was with this intention that I sent those photographs by Mr Abbott. The semicircular panels, of which I am now at work upon the 6th, are for the panelisation of the side walls, and come under the second contract. . . ."

738. SARGENT (LUCIUS M.—American author). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Boston, November, 30-1853." To "William G. Gilbert, Esquire." With newspaper clipping containing biographical note, and portrait.

" . . . Though I reside in West Roxbury, I hail, as the sailor say, from Boston, & my letters, with very few exceptions, are addressed to me there. . . ."

"P. S. If you are interested in autography, & have not seen the work, I commend to your notice 'Thane's British Autography' a very curious & elaborate performance, London—no date—3 vols. 4to."

739. SARGENT (LUCIUS M.—American author). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Nov - 30- /55." To Mr-Haskell." With transcript, and portrait.

"There are two reasons—sufficient with you, I know, for helping Mr. Pratt—he deserves it, & he needs it. Pray give the enclosed a good location. I also wish when the paintings come to be exhibited, that you would drop in, & see them, & say a word of them, yourself—also, on the day before the sale, do put in a line, by way of reminder, for the morrow. . . ."

740. SAXE (JOHN GODFREY—American poet and journalist). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Burlington, Vt. Oct. 21, 1852." To "Alex. R. Boteler." With transcript, and portrait.

"I cannot express to you how grateful I am for the Hancock-Manuscript you send me, and for the flattering words with which you accompany the gift. Of many compliments which the partiality of friends, or the civility of strangers, have paid to me, this, from you, is at once the most delicate, and touching. . . ."

"I am piqued to know where you could have got the lines to which you allude, as I am not aware that they were ever in print. They are a part of my poem of 'New-England,' which (I ought perhaps to be ashamed to say) I have recited over one hundred times,—chiefly in the North and West, . . ."

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741. SAXE (JOHN GODFREY—American poet and journalist). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Albany, N. Y., Dec. 23, '68." To "Mrs. Crockett." With biographical note, and portrait. The poem "A Maiden's Prayer" by Saxe, 4 verses, clipped from a newspaper, is inserted in letter. Mentions Mrs. Saxe.

"We are grieved to learn of the affliction of your good husband and very good friend—and trust your hope for his early recovery of his eyesight, may be fully realized. It must be a great calamity—especially (my friend will pardon the pleasantry) to one who has so much about him that is worth looking at! May God bless him—and bring him soon to the blessed light of day." . . .

742. SAXE (JOHN GODFREY—American poet and journalist). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "28 First Place, B'k'n. July 4th. 1879." To "Ben." With portrait.

"I have forgotten what a 'diamond edition' is like. Do you print with a red line in the margin?—I hope so—for I like it well. I sent some extra sonnets yesterday, which I trust you sent at once to the printers. . . ."

743. SCHOFIELD (JOHN M.—Major-General in Civil War). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Head Quarters, St. Louis, District, St. Louis, Mo., March 8, 1862." To "Capt. Leighton;" Also,—A.L.S., "West Point, July 2, 1879." With transcripts, and portrait.

"Please inform me what charges are on file against Wm. P. Pryor, arrested at Boonsville in January last, and now confined in the Military Prison. . . ."

744. SCOTT (HUGH STOWELL—Henry Seton Merriman, pseudonym, British author). A.L.S., 2pp. 12mo, "Station, Merstham. 8 July, 1896. Hill Side, Blechingley, Surrey." To "C. H. Eden, Esq." Signed.—"Henry Seton Merriman." With transcript. Regarding a volume "In the Bear's Grip," which he had received. Autograph letters by the author of "The Sowers," are seldom offered for sale.

745. SCOTT (SIR WALTER—celebrated Scottish novelist and poet). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Edinr. 3 April, 1808." With transcript, and portrait.

"I take the advantage of my friend Mr Ballantyne going to London to beg your acceptance of a copy of the Life of Dryden. I meant that a copy of my new poem should have attended you at the same time but the first edition is out of print & the second not quite ready. I will not fail to send one so soon as it is clear of the press.

"Should you ever in the course of your literary pursuits think of printing with my friend Ballantyne I should esteem your affording him your countenance a personal favour to myself . . ."

746. SCOTT (SIR WALTER—celebrated Scottish novelist and poet). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Edinr. 18th January 1823." To "Messrs. Hurst & Robertson, Booksellers, London." With transcript, and portrait.

AN EXCEPTIONALLY FINE LETTER RELATIVE TO SOME OF HIS PUBLICATIONS.

"I have furnished Mr Ballantyne with all his materials for the Biography of the present volume of the Novelist which I hope you will find satisfactory as I have real pleasure in the task. Richardson's life I will

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send in due time. I could wish to have Miss Hawkins anecdotes just published to assist me in this and other matters. . . .

"Miss Barney—Mrs. Radcliffe—Mrs. Charlotte North—Mrs. Burnet—White—the author of Mount Kenneth—Lewis—&c. But many of their works may (indeed must) be still property and I must trust to you to enquire into this and to furnish me with information as to this important point besides sending dates of publication & any brief and authentic notices concerning the authors. The American novelist Browne may be of course republished. Some of his works are very interesting others not worth reprinting. . . ."

[See Illustration]

747. SCOTT (SIR WALTER—celebrated Scottish novelist and poet). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "April 29." To an unknown party. With portrait. Letter inlaid.

"I am quite willing that the Furnival Antiquities should be sent either to Mr. Heath or you whichever can be lumbered with them. . . ."

748. SCOTT (SIR WALTER—celebrated Scottish novelist and poet). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Castle Shenk, Thursday." To "Mr. Constable." With portrait.

"I would wish the note to stand as it seems to explain some misapprehension on the part of Miss Seaward and is besides to the credit of Mason. I have somewhat changed the mode of expression.

"The Editn. of Sir Tristram is almost ready for the press and has been carefully revised. I will send it to Mr. Ballantyne on Monday next and have no objection to your extending the impression as you propose though it seems a long one for a work of the kind. . . ."

749. SCOTT (WINFIELD—Secretary of War; Major-General in Civil War). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Off Bayou Sara, Dec. 12, 1827." To "Col. W. S. Hamilton." With transcript, biographical account, and portrait.

". . . The following is the plan of my present tour.

"At New Orleans I shall take the first conveyance to Tampa Bay, perhaps via Pensacola; but direct, if practicable, & take Pensacola in my way returning. I expect to be, the second time, in N. Orleans, about the 20th of January & remain till, say, the 1st of February. I shall then go up the Red-river, & make a third visit to N. Orleans. I shall probably take my final departure from New Orleans, about the 1st of March on my way back to Department Head Qrs, Cincinnati, Ohio. . . ."

750. SCOTT (WINFIELD—Secretary of War; Major-General in Civil War). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Elizabethtown, Jan. 25, 1841." To "Genl. Thompson." With transcript, biographical account, and portrait.

UNUSUALLY IMPORTANT POLITICAL LETTER.

"Mr. Monroe has not sent to me Reid's general order, nor have I seen it in the public papers.

"The late partial successes in Florida, will, I fear, without leading to greater results, be sufficient to prevent Congress from adopting effective measures for closing the war . . . I am also persuaded that the very grave questions between the U. States & Great Britain demand preparations, on our part, upon a much more extensive scale. Of these, however, I presume it will be in vain to speak before one or more of our Atlantic

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Gentlemen

I have furnished Mr Ballantyne with all the materials for the Biography of the present volume of the Novelist which I hope you will find satisfactory as I have real pleasure in the task. Richardson's life I will send in due time. I could wish to have Miss How-
kins and her first published to assist me in this and in these matters - When Richardson is published I do not know any of older Novelists who have much chance to be inserted - Among modern authors (I mean those which may be comparatively termed such) the following I take the liberty

Miss Burney - Mrs Radcliffe - Mrs Charlotte Smith - Mrs Barrett - White - the Authors of Mount Pennington - &c - But many of their works may (indeed must) be still properly and I must trust to you to engage others and to furnish me with information as to their important points besides sending others of publications & any brief and authentic notices concerning the authors for the American market. Some may be of course republished some of her works are very interesting others not worth reprinting. Please to let me have your opinion and notes on these subjects as I should

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cities shall be laid in ashes, or under contribution, & our frontier on the side of the Canadas, devastated to the depth of forty or sixty miles. During the diplomatic controversy between the same parties, from 1806 to 1812, our government strictly followed the maxim of penny wise & pound foolish, & so we, no doubt, are likely to act to the end of the chapter. . . . We have two fortresses of the first class—one at Old Point Comfort & the other at New Port, wholly without garrisons. The two command the finest harbours on our sea coast. . . ."

751. SELBOURNE (LORD—English statesman). A.L.S., 2pp. 12mo, "Blackmoor, Petersfield, August 18, 1886." To "John R. Taylor." With transcript, and photograph. With addressed and autographed envelope. Declining to subscribe to an appeal for funds.

752. SEWALL (SAMUEL—Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Massachusetts). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Octobr 20th. 1702." To "Mr. William Moodye, at Newbury." With transcript, and portrait.

"Abt ye 16th. Instt I recd your very obliging Lines full of constant Love & Affection to my dear Sister, and hers. The Honor that you doe to her Memory must needs make a deep Impression upon her Relations. I shall make you a Debtor to a few Letters in Remembrance of her so soon as Mumford shall get a Stone according to my mind. . . ."

753. SEWARD (FREDERICK W.—lawyer; assistant Secretary of State, U. S., 1877-1881). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Department of State, Washington, Oct 17 1861." To "C. C. P. Baldwin Esq. United States Marshal, Bradford, Vermont." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"Information has been received at this Department that one Henry L. Shields of East Bennington Vermont is engaged in treasonable correspondence with persons in insurrection against the authority of the Government of the United States. You will therefore arrest & send him to Fort Lafayette. . . ."

754. SEWARD (WILLIAM H.—Governor of New York; Secretary of State under President Lincoln). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Washington, March 6, 1834." To "Walter S. Alexander, Esq. Middleborough, Mass."

755. SEWARD (WILLIAM H.—Governor of New York; Secretary of State under President Lincoln). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Auburn, October 7th, 1844." To "Mr. James B. Allen, Dartmouth College." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

" . . . I am very grateful to the 'Social Friends' and the 'Social Fraternity' for the consideration manifested by them in their joint invitation. But I am quite unable to perform the duty to which it calls me . . ."

756. SEWARD (WILLIAM H.—Governor of New York; Secretary of State under President Lincoln). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Department of State, Washington, 13th Feby 1869." To "The Honorable Charles Sumner, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Relations, Senate." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"I have the honor to transmit for your information a copy of a dispatch of the 30th ultimo No 106, just received from Mr Reverdy Johnson concerning the Alabama Claims Convention now before the Senate."

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757. SEYMOUR (HORATIO—Governor of New York). A.N.S., 1p. 8vo, "Utica, Feby 9th, 1860." To "Albert Daggett, Esq. Troy." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

758. SEYMOUR (HORATIO—Governor of New York). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Executive Chamber, Albany, May 10 1864." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"I announce with painful feelings the loss of Genl James S. Wadsworth in the recent battle on the Rapidan. He met death bravely at the head of the force under his command. A leading and wealthy citizen, he exercised a wide influence by the rigor and energy of his character—As a public man, he was always decided and resolute in demanding purity of legislation and an economical and wise administration of the affairs of our State. . . .

"As a mark of respect for his memory the American flag will be displayed at half mast on the Capitol and upon all the Arsenals of the State."

759. SHAW (LEMUEL—Chief Justice, Massachusetts Supreme Court, appointed, 1830). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Boston, Dec. 27, 1816." To "Thomas Aspinwall." With transcript, biographical account, and portrait.

"Believing that you will still take some interest in the prosperity of the Social Law Library, the Trustees of that Institution take the liberty to request your attention to the purchase of several books." Then follows amount of money to be disbursed and the class of books to buy, etc.

760. SHAW (LEMUEL—Chief Justice, Massachusetts Supreme Court, appointed, 1830). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Boston, 12 August, 1822." To "Mr. John S. Tyler." With portrait. On financial matters, with mention of the New England Bank.

761. SHERIDAN (PHILIP H.—Major-General in the Civil War). A.L.S., 6pp. 8vo, "Chicago, April 19th, 1872." To "General Belknap." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"Thanks for your letter of 13th. As the breaking up of Fort Bridges is likely to give some embarrassment, I think it had better remain for the present.

"One of the urgent reasons I had for its abandonment was to get the Comp. of the 13th now there for a part of the garrison of the new post in Utah. I also wanted Major La Motte for the same place. I am a little pinched for troops for the new post, but would be relieved from this embarrassment if I could send the four Companies of the 8th Infantry now in this city to Utah. . . . I transferred the 6th Infantry from Pope to Hancock. . . . Six Companies of it will go to Buford relieving the 7th now there which will go to the Gallatin Valley in Montana. The remaining four companies of the 6th, will be on the advance survey of the North Pacific R. R. road for the summer."

762. SHERIDAN (PHILIP H.—Major-General in the Civil War). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Chicago, May 16, /74." To "James Grant Wilson." With transcript, biographical account, and portrait.

" . . . I will read the book first opportunity & will let you know. I have no doubt it will be very interesting."

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763. SHERIDAN (PHILIP H.—Major-General in the Civil War). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, Chicago, March 24, 1876." To "—— Hill." With transcript, biographical account, and portrait.

" . . . The Black Horse I rode at the Battle of Cedar Creek, is still living & in my possession in this city.

"He looks almost as well now as when you saw him in Virginia. I will be at the Centennial & will hope to have the pleasure of meeting you & old army Comrades."

764. SHERMAN (EDGAR J.—Jurist, Massachusetts). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Superior Court, Judges' Room, Court House, East Cambridge, Mass., Feb'y 4, 1907." To "J. H. Benton." With Broadside "Remonstrance," 1875, and portrait.

765. SHERMAN (JAMES S.—Vice-President of the United States). L.S., 1p. 8vo, "At Utica, N. Y. August 23, 1912." To "Hon. H. C. Lodge, United States Senate, Washington, D. C." With L.S., 1p. 4to, from Senator Lodge, to Mr. Benton, enclosing the above letter for his collection.

- 765A. SHERMAN (JAMES F.—Vice-President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.," To "Mr. French, Nov. 6. 06." Relative to Mr. French's party loyalty.

766. SHERMAN (JOHN—United States Senator from Ohio; Secretary of State). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Mansfield, Ohio, Oct. 24, 1859." To "I. D. Andrews." With transcript, and portrait.

" . . . The recent elections place Republicans on a secure footing unless they forfeit in some way the confidence of the People. Above all things we should promptly organize the House. . . . We must not yield our principles but we can yield a good deal to secure the success of our principles. . . ."

767. SHERMAN (JOHN—United States Senator from Ohio; Secretary of State). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Mansfield, Ohio, Oct 10, 1872." To "Hon. R. C. Schenck, Min. Plen.," introducing Rev. W. L. Alexander to Americans abroad; Also.—A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "United States Senate Chamber, Washington, — 187—." To "Mr. Spofford," requesting some historical papers from the library, for Mr. Butterfield. With transcripts, biographical note, and portrait.

768. SHERMAN (THOMAS WEST—Brigadier-General U. S. A.). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Port Royal, S. C., April 3, 1862." To "Adam Badeau, Esq. late Vol: Aid-de-Camp." With transcript, and biographical note.

"The dissolution of the Expeditionary Corps, the transfer of the troops composing it to the General commanding the Department of the South, and my consequent removal to another sphere of action, necessitates a separation of the intimate relations you have borne as my volunteer Aid-de-Camp.

"In thus taking leave of you, allow me to express my warmest thanks for the self-sacrificing and patriotic zeal and devotion you have shown to the great Cause of the Nation. . . ."

Head Quarters Military Division of the Mississippi.

Saint Louis, Mo. Nov. 6. 1863.

Lieut Gen A. S. Grant.

Commander in Chief.

Washington DC

General,

I have yours of the 21st of October
Service continues to give the subject priority
and my whole attention

As present Oct has in his Regt. only the
4 Co. 4th Inf. One of Regulars only, and
a scattered set of Veteran Reserve. These
will nearly all go out by volunteering for ex-
change under the recent order of the War Dept.
and I take it for granted if all the
private duty to be discharged, the officers
will not be retained.

By the Assign to Regt of the 3rd, 10th
and 18th Inf. he will transfer out the
volunteers in Minnesota - Wisconsin, Kan-
sas and Nebraska. all he can
reach this winter. This will leave
him only the few volunteers up the

WILLIAM TECUMSEH SHERMAN—LIEUT.-GEN., CIVIL WAR

Autograph Letter, Signed. 1863

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769. SHERMAN (WILLIAM TECUMSEH—Lieutenant-General in Civil War). A.L.S., 6pp. 4to, "Head Quarters, Military Division of the Mississippi, Saint Louis, Mo. Novr. 6, 1865." To "Lieut. Gen. U. S. Grant, Commander in Chief Washington, D. C." With transcript, biographical note, and 2 portraits.

Important letter relative to the discharge of volunteers, and the treatment of the Indians.

" . . . At present Ord has in his Dept. only the 4 cos. 4th Inf. one of Regular artillery, and a scattered set of veteran Reserves. . . .

"By the assign to Pope of the 3rd, 10th, and 18th Inf. he will muster out the Volunteers in Minnesota—Missouri, Kansas and Nebraska, all he can reach this winter. This will leave him only the few volunteers up the Missouri—in Utah & New Mexico, who are beyond our reach until Spring. . . . He has his very best officers distributed judiciously and economically—Corse in Minnesota, Sully up the Missouri—Dodge & Elliott at Leavenworth, Wheaton at Laramie, Upton at Denver, Connor at Salt Lake, and Carleton in New Mexico. . . .

"In Arkansas Reynolds has retained more volunteers than in any other part of my command. . . . I will see him and order the discharge of all the Indiana, Illinois & other Regts in his dept. and substitute the four negro Regts still at Louisville waiting orders. . . .

"Touching the future of the Plains Genl Pope has made & sent you some detailed Reports which are worthy your study. You know the Indians are under the General supervision of the Dept. of the Interior and I am not even advised of the treaties which must of course be respected by us. There have been and must continue to be conflicts between commanding officers of Posts, and of expeditions and Indian Agents, traders &c. If the whole management of the Indians, their treaties, annuities, and traders could be transferred back to the War Dept. it would much simplify our work But if there be good reasons why the Dept. of the Interior should keep this branch of public service out of our hand, we should have at least copies of the Treaties that we might know their terms and conditions.

"I think with the Regular Regiments now assigned me, when approximately full, I will have enough troops to maintain a general state of quiet on the Plains, but if any emigrants and wanderers will go in small parties through the Indian Reservation & hunting grounds we must not be astonished if some of them lose their horses, cattle and scalps.

"I have given Ord one of the Batteries of artillery, to Pope two, and to Reynolds one, and I will have them equipped and put in apple pie order. In like manner I will aim to get the 2nd Cavalry, now at & beyond Fort Riley—and the 3rd Cavalry now in Arkansas thoroughly mounted & equipped by or before next May so that they can make a tour of the entire Plains next summer. As soon as the Indians see that we have Regular Cavalry among them they will realize that we are in condition to punish them for any murders or robberies, and then the legitimate travel across the Plains will cease. . . ."

[See Illustration]

770. SHERMAN (WILLIAM TECUMSEH—Lieutenant-General in Civil War). A.L.S., 1p. 12mo, "Head-Quarters Armies of the United States, Washington, D. C., Sept., 17 1869." To "Genl H. Capron." With transcript. Thanks for "the very handsome volume of your Report."

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771. SHERMAN (WILLIAM TECUMSEH—Lieutenant-General in Civil War). A.L.S., 2pp. 12mo, "Headquarters Army of the United States, Washington, D. C., June 3, 1874." To "Hon Mr Morrill Cor Vermont & M Sts." With transcript. Regrets at not being able to attend a dinner.
772. SHERMAN (WILLIAM TECUMSEH—Lieutenant-General in Civil War). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Headquarters, Army of the United States, St. Louis, Mo. Dec., 23 1874." To "John S. H. Fogg." With biographical account, and 2 portraits.
". . . the Surgeon General U. S. Army Washington D. C. . . . will send you a circular prescribing all the conditions requisite for entering the Medical Department U. S. Army—
"I do not think my endorsement, or that of any one else, would do more than to attract notice. . . ."
773. SHERMAN (WILLIAM TECUMSEH—Lieutenant-General in Civil War). A.L.S., 1p. 12mo, "St. Louis, Mo. April 3, 1885." To "Hon T F Bayard—Secretary of State (Department of State Apr. 7 1885 Received)." With transcript, and biographical note.
". . . I met this Empress during the visit of Dom Ridco in 1876, and my memory goes back to the time when she was conveyed a bride to Brazil in the French sloop Belle Roule commanded by the Prince de Joinville—from which I inferred a closer relationship."
774. SHILLABER (BENJAMIN P.—American humorist). A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo, "Chelsea, April 21, 1880." To "Mrs. Robinson." With transcript, biographical account, and portrait.
"I was very happy to hear from you, thank you for your letter and the highly idealized Mrs. P. which it contained My Mrs. P. never aspired, or descended, to flounces, and lace cuffs with mits, and the ornate cap is antagonistic to the primitive simplicity of the original. The properties are well preserved, but the 'ridicule' is missing. It gives a good character face, but the touching benignity is wanting. She is more like Dickens's 'Old Soldier' in 'Copperfield' . . ."
775. SHIRAS (GEORGE, JR.—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1892). A.L.S., 1p., 12mo, "March 1893." To "Mr. Ben. W. Austin." With transcript, and portrait. Regarding the recipient's collection of autographs and manuscripts.
776. SHIRLEY (WILLIAM—Colonial Governor of Massachusetts). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Boston, May 3d, 1748." To "Sir William Pepperell." With biographical note, and portrait.
"Three days ago I received from my son the inclosed copy of Baker's Petition which he found means to deliver to the King with his own hand, and has, I assure you, made an impression to our disadvantage—You will see by the marked lines, the Comptl. he has made agt. us; and as you know what a scoundrel he is, and how generally he was stigmatized for such in the Expedition, I need not observe the particulars of it to you. . . ."

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777. SICKLES (DANIEL E.—Major-General in Civil War). A.L.S., 3pp. 12mo, "Madrid, May 16, 1871." To "Miss V. Botta, New York." With transcript, and photograph.

"I have received the Copies of the publication mentioned in your letter of 23rd March & those specially directed have been duly delivered & acknowledged, the remainder have been given to distinguished persons likely to sympathize with the object and appreciate the work—Among these I may mention the King—the Editor of the 'Universal' of Madrid . . ."

778. SIDDONS (MARY F. SCOTT—Great-granddaughter of the celebrated Mrs. Siddons). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "61. Palace Gardens Terrace, Kensington - W. 23. 10. 1881." To "Mrs. Olive Logan Sikes." With address, and portraits of Mrs. Siddons.

"I should be delighted to send you two Stalls for Wednesday . . . if only for the pleasure of meeting 'Olive Logan.' . . ."

779. SIMMS (W. GILMORE—eminent American novelist). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Received at St. Louis 10th. Oct. 1850 Ans'd at St. Louis Oct 11th. 1850." To "Hon. Thos. C. Reynolds." With transcript, biographical account, and portrait.

" . . . Have you seen a work in two duodecimos entitled the Pillars of Hercules, by Urquhart, M. P. a glance at it persuades me that you will find it abundantly suggestive of the materials for an article, because it favors Spain & shows her brighter features—it censures England and shows the selfish injustice of her course toward Spain . . ."

780. SKEAT (WALTER W.—editor of Chaucer's works). A.L.S., 3pp. 16mo, "1, Cintra Terrace Cambridge April 29 1876." With transcript. Regarding the recipient's collection of autographs.

781. SLAVE BILL. Belcher (Andrew—Provincial councillor of the Massachusetts-Bay Colony and a gentleman of large estate; father of Jonathan Belcher, Governor of Massachusetts). A.D.S., 2pp. folio, "Cambridge 21d September 1681."

AN EXCEEDINGLY RARE MASSACHUSETTS SLAVE BILL.
Bill for "Negroes for out off Mr. John Usher." Among other entries on the debtor side are,—

"To William Welsted for passage of 6 negroes—	£ 2 " 8.
"To Cash for rum & provision for sd Negroes—	9.
"To my Commission at 5pr.—	" 7 " 6."

On the credit side are the following entries,—

"By John Hener for one man & woman Negroes—	£ 73.
"By Joseph Rainer for one woman Negro	" 25.
"By Joseph Hordham for one man and woman Negro	" 48."

782. SMITH (F. HOPKINSON—American artist). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "June 18/," no year. To "Miss Hersey." With transcript. A letter of thanks for cheque and letter.

783. SMITH (F. HOPKINSON—American artist). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo. No place or date. To "Miss Hersey." With transcript.

"Make the title 'The Value of the Picturesque' I will make a new head and tail, . . ."

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784. SMITH (SYDNEY—celebrated English divine and writer). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "November 11 - 1811, 56 Green St, Grosvenor Square." With transcript, and portrait. Written on green paper.

785. SMITH (WILLIAM F.—Major-General in the Civil War). A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo, "1825 Pine St. Phila March, 11, '91." To "Mr. Ropes." With transcript, and portrait.

A CIVIL WAR LETTER OF GREAT INTEREST, relating to General Grant.

"... Now there is an immense amount of labor in the work as I have laid it out—much more than I thought for—and yet I thought it necessary to go over the whole ground to fix the value of the result or perhaps the value of Grant as a General. I thought to take this up to show how simple and clear and to the purpose were the plans of Johnston as developed by his orders and dispatches—nothing but my admiration of him as a general and my feeling that his great qualities were unknown partly by his never failing bad luck and partly by the handicap which Mr. Davis put upon him and the insubordination which that brought about in certain of his subordinates who knew themselves strong in the favor of Davis. . . . In the part omitted I speak of Grant with his varied success and unsettled reputation at the time he took up the Command at Corinth. That would shock many and the official proofs of it would not convince people who would be of 'the same opinion still' I wish you were coming on here to put your nose into the thing after a bit."

786. SMITH (SIR WILLIAM SIDNEY—British Admiral). A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo, "Tigre, 9 June. (1798?). Private." To "Sir Richard ———." With transcript, and portrait.

"I return your two highly interesting papers with thanks. I send you three which have been sent as interesting to me and though the question has been hammered & battered in all shapes but the right I see they are going at it again on imperfect documents & as the french proverb says 'Les absents ont toujours tort' I may expect to be the scapegoat still. . . ."

"I send a letter from Lord Spencer one from Prince William of Gloucester and one from the India house which at least gives me the satisfaction of knowing that all the world is not of Mr Dundar's opinion as to the impolicy of my measures here. . . ."

787. SMITH (SIR WILLIAM SIDNEY—British Admiral). A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo. No place, no date. With transcript, and portrait.

"You observed no doubt my good friend that the sea got up & the brigg got too far to leeward for a weeping fainting helpless Lady to be embarked & the boat to get back in time for us to make sail with you—so the Diana went in without the passengers for whose reception her very comfortable cabin was prepared. . . ."

788. SNOWDEN (G. H.—Negro Emigrant to Liberia). A.L.S., 4pp. 4to, "Greenville, Sinoe Co. (Liberia). Feb. 14, 1859." To "Hon. Lemuel Shaw, C.J., Boston, Mass." With transcript.

FINE LETTER on the political outlook in Liberia.

"... The aspect of political and governmental affairs in Liberia is not now as promising as might be wished, but all are hopeful of change now. The mother of the French Slave, Regina Coeli, an empty treasury and official peculations have seriously embarrassed the Government.

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while his political opponents do not hesitate to charge the present state of things upon the Executive.

"A most remarkable change in public opinion relative to form of government has taken place within two or three years, apparently, and perhaps really, the natural result of the present state of affairs. I cannot say that such a step will probably be taken but I firmly believe that if certain men in Liberia were ambitious enough to undertake it, a quiet and bloodless coup d'état would be an easy task. Indeed, the name of a very distinguished Liberian has been objected to by none, as candidate for the Presidency solely on the ground that when he ceased to be President he would become King . . ."

789. SNOWDEN (G. H.—Negro Emigrant to Liberia). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo. "Chesapeake Bay, Off Hampden Roads, April 22, 1860." To "Lemuel Shaw, Esq.," thanking Mr. Shaw for help extended to his brother; Also,—D.S., 1p. 4to, "Boston, 6 April, 1860." Signed by,—Richard Fletcher, Nathaniel Thayer, Nathan Appleton, Amos A. Lawrence, David Sears, William T. Andrews, and Lemuel Shaw," as subscribers to a fund to aid Charles Snowden, brother of G. H. Snowden, above, to obtain necessary supplies, etc. to emigrate with his family, to Liberia. With transcripts.

790. SOUTHARD (SAMUEL L.—Governor of New Jersey; Secretary of the Navy; and United States Senator). D.S., 1p. 4to, "Navy Department, 1st Novr. 1826." To "Medn. Chas. Hayward." With portrait.

791. SOTHERN (E. A.—English comedian). Two A.L.'s S., (1) 1p. 12mo. No place, no date. To "Miss Derby;" (2) 1p. 8vo, "Continental Hotel." To "Mrs. Sikes." With biographical note, and 2 portraits.

792. SOUTHEY (ROBERT—eminent English author). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Keswick, 20 March, 1827." To "Mr J. A. Heraud Junr, Carey Street Lincoln's Inn." With address, transcript, and portrait.

" . . . I am very glad to hear that your papers have found acceptance in the Quarterly. . . . Payment used to be made as soon as the number was published . . . You will probably receive ten guineas a sheet, which is I believe the ordinary price paid.

"Mr Lockhart asked me if I would write a paper upon Milton. I declined the task, & advised him to look for some younger & more ambitious writer. He has done well in looking to you. . . .

"The Editor of a review will always alter, with or without reason, whatever comes under his authority. No writer has ever suffered more by this than I have done. But I have long since ceased to complain of it.

"You will make a most efficient reviewer. Only do not aim at sparkling too much, & be sparing of antiquated words.

"There is a new edition of Mr. Wordsworth's poems in the press,—which will contain some new pieces. It will come opportunely for you. . . ."

793. SOUTHEY (ROBERT—eminent English author). A.N.S., 1p. 8vo, "Monday Morning." To "J. H. Frere, Esqr. Fleming Villa, Brompton." With address, transcript, and portrait.

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794. SPARKS (JARED—American historian). A.L.S., 4pp. 4to, "Cambridge, Nov. 15th, 1849." To "Rev. Saml. Gilman." With transcript, biographical account, and portrait.

"... As to the elective system, my opinions are fully expressed in the Inaugural Address. That system was adopted here a few years ago, as you are aware, very extensively, embracing nearly all the departments. It has gradually been curtailed, as experience has proved its futility. I was always opposed to it. At present it is confined to the two upper classes, reaching only to the modern languages, Latin, Greek, & the Mathematics. . . ."

795. SPENCER (AMBROSE—Chief Justice, New York State Supreme Court). A.L.S., 3pp. 4to, "Washington, Jany 30th. 1830." To "Revd. Mr. Sprague." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"... As regards Mr. Campbell, for whom I have conceived a very high opinion, & whose settlement in our church I regard as most conspicuous, I can only say that he has under consideration a proposal to preach to us, with a view to a call—I think his answer will be favorable & should it be so, if I mistake not his character, & the proportion of his mind, he will not only be eminently useful, but a great acquisition to you and all his brethren of the ministry in Albany, . . ."

796. SPRAGUE (PELEG—United States Senator from Maine, and Presidential Elector). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Washington, D. C. 28. Dec. 1831." To "Andd." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait. On legal matters.

- 796A. STAËL-HOLSTEIN (ANNE L. G. N., commonly called Madame de Staël—eminent French woman). A.L.S., 1p. 12mo, "Sunday June 12." (1815 ?). To "Monsieur Say." With transcript, and stipple portrait.

Letter in French, a partial translation as follows,—

"I would have thanked you ere this for your book, Monsieur, but in the midst of the whirlwind of Paris, I am not fit to read it; and I shall carry it to Switzerland in order to study it. . . ."

797. STANBURY (HENRY—Attorney General of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Cincinnati, March 26/56." To "E. Lane," relative to a decree of sale and his departure for Washington; Also.—A.L.S., 2pp. 12mo, "Cincinnati, O. Jany. 18, 1865." To "The President, Washington City," recommending Mr. A. C. Sands for reappointment as Marshal of the Southern District of Ohio. With biographical note, and portrait.

798. STANLEY (ARTHUR P.—Dean of Westminster). A.L.S., 4pp., 8vo. "Deanery, Westminster, Nov. 18. 68." With transcript, and portrait.

"I beg to reply to your letter relating to the proposal of a monument to Leigh Hunt in Poet's Corner in Westminster Abbey.—

"You are doubtless aware that the usual course on such occasions is to present an address to the Dean, signed by such distinguished names as will justify his assenting to any request of this nature. . . ."

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799. STANLEY (ARTHUR P.—Dean of Westminster). A.L.S., 3pp. 12mo, "Mch. 18/74, Deanery Westminster." To "Spottiswoode." With transcript, and portrait.

"... I was in hopes that my Russian journey might have suggested a topic, but, interesting as it was, it gave me nothing to say that I have not said before, except matters that would not be suitable for a lecture at M . . ."

800. STANLEY (ARTHUR P.—Dean of Westminster). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Deanery, Westminster." (1876?). To "Dr. Radeliffe;" Also,—A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Deanery, Westminster, Feb. 1, 77," regarding the decision of the Bishop that plays should not be performed in a church. With transcript of first letter, and portrait.

801. STANTON (EDWIN M.—Secretary of War in President Lincoln's cabinet). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Steubenville, Feby. 26, 1842." To "Allen Sotham, Esqr, Senator, Columbus, O." With transcript, and portrait.

"It gave me great pleasure to perceive by the last Statesman that your Bank Bill had passed the House. . . ."

"The Resumption Bill seems to meet with a hearty reception every where and the way in which the democratic legislature of Ohio was spoken of in Washington made me feel proud to be an Ohio democrat. . . ."

802. STANTON (EDWIN M.—Secretary of War in President Lincoln's cabinet). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "San Francisco, April 7/58." To "Hon. J. S. Black, Attorney General." With transcript, and portrait.

"Mr Theodore L Schell of California is an applicant for a Purser'ship in the Navy. . . . Personal acquaintance and observation of his capacity and qualifications, enable me to speak with confidence of his fitness for the office. . . ."

803. STANTON (EDWIN M.—Secretary of War in President Lincoln's cabinet). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Washington, July 23, 1861." To "Hon Edward Bates." Also,—A.N.S., 1p. 12mo, "War Department, Washington, June 14. 1862," to "Hon. E. Bates, Atty. Gen;" Also.—A.N.S., 1p. 12mo, "March 6, 1865," to "Hon. Mr. Hooper." With transcripts, and portraits.

The first letter recommends David L. Collier Esq of Nebraska, for the appointment of United States District Attorney for Nebraska territory, and gives his family connections.

804. STANTON (EDWIN M.—Secretary of War in President Lincoln's cabinet). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Washington, Oct. 15, 1865." To "Hon Thurlow Weed." With transcript, and portrait.

"Mr Dawson's note with your endorsement in relation to General Slocum has been received . . . There appears to have been no trial, but only an ex parte investigation, and report, probably at the instance of General Washburne. . . ."

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805. STEPHENS (ALEXANDER H.—Representative in Congress from Georgia, and Vice-President of the Southern Confederacy). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Crawfordsville Ga. 4th. November 1857." To "E. Janeway, Sec. Ruthersophian Society Rutgers College New Brunswick N. J." With transcript, and portrait.
"Your favor of the 30th Inst informing me of my election as an honorary member of your Society was received this morning. Allow me to return you and your fellow members my thanks for this manifestation of their esteem and my acceptance of the honor conferred."
806. STEVENS (THADDEUS—United States Representative from Pennsylvania: proposed the Impeachment of President Johnson). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Lancaster Sept. 22 - 1855." To "Ed. McPherson," relative to Peter Martin being a strong Anti-Slavery man; Also,—A.L.S., 1p. 12mo, "Gettysburg October 23 1893." To "Geo. Alfred Townsend Gapland," relative to Peter Martin. With transcripts, biographical note, and portrait.
807. STEVENS (THADDEUS—United States Representative from Pennsylvania; proposed the Impeachment of President Johnson). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Lancaster April 24 - 1861." To "Hon Wm B. Thomas, Collector." With transcript, and portrait. Relative to political appointments.
808. STEVENSON (ADLAI E.—Vice-President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Bloomington, Illinois, Octo 24 - 1906," asking for a copy of the Proceedings of the Senate and House commemorative of Samuel F. P. Morse.
809. STEVENSON (ADLAI E.—Vice-President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Adlai E. Stevenson Lawyer Bloomington, Ill. Nov. 24, 1908," To "Mr Isaac Markins New York." With transcript.
"... It can truly be said of Abraham Lincoln, as it was of another: 'Nothing was Wanting to his Glory; he was Wanting to ours.'"
810. STEVENSON (ADLAI E.—Vice-President of the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Adlai E. Stevenson Lawyer Bloomington, Ill. Jan'y 3d 1912." To "the Attorney for the Commonwealth Boston Mass." With transcript. Regarding one Isaac Sanders, who was in Charles Street Jail, Boston. Also,—A.L.S. of James M. Swift, Attorney-General of Massachusetts. Together, 2 pieces.
811. STODDERT (BENJAMIN—United States Secretary of the Navy. 1798-1801). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "9 Feby 1804." To "Wm. Whann Esqr. Cashr Bank Columbia." With transcript, and biographical note. On financial matters.
812. STORY (JOSEPH—Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1811). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Washington, Jan'y 13, 1829." To "Messrs. Hilliard Gray & Co. Boston, Massachusetts." With tran-

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script, biographical note, and portrait. Addressed franked with Daniel Webster's signature.

"I yesterday received a letter from Matthew Carey Esq, in which he suggests that if the edition of my Centennial Discourse has been already sold, or has ceased to sell, there might be a handsome edition printed on fine paper in long primer in 12mo. & profitably sold for a quarter of a Dollar. He thinks with a suitable notice in the newspapers such an edition would have a great circulation. . . ."

813. STORY (JOSEPH—Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1811). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Cambridge, May 28, 1836." To "Benjamin Guild, Esq. Boston." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait. Regrets having to decline an invitation to dinner, with mention of Chief-Justice Chipman.

814. STORY (JOSEPH—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1811). A.L.S., 3pp. 4to, "Cambridge Sept. 19. 1844." With transcript, and portrait.

Unusually long and interesting political and personal letter, with mention of Henry Clay.

"This is the 19th of September—and I trust it may be a day of happy Augury for Mr. Clay & the whigs. If he should be chosen, as I most earnestly pray, that he may, President of the U. States, I cannot doubt that you will, as you ought to, receive some high mark of the public confidence through him. I can speak of you as one always true to Whig Principles, . . ."

815. STOUTON (WILLIAM—Governor of Massachusetts). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Aug. 20th [1683]." "For the worpff Joseph Dudley Esq. at his lodgings in St. Pauls Church yard London." With address, transcript, and biographical note.

VERY FINE.

"Having been afflicted with the present epidemical feaver & ague, I despayred of writing any thing to you by Clarke; And though the ship be delayed by the weather, & I have now mist two or three fitts, yet I am so hurried by Importunity to set out this morning upon the comission into the Narroeganset country (to what public good I cannot tell) that I can but in extremc hast salute you, & give you thanks for yors by Carey, who after a long voyage arrived but on the 14th of this Instant. . . . I hear Carey brings newes of Joles s arival somewhere in the west. . . . & then give us an account of or affayres, as influenced by your new powers & Instructions, & I mistake not if your heart & hands prove not fuller of buisnesse & sorrow than hitherto you have found. I know no way for ourselves or you, but fath & submission to the holy will of god great revolutions I see are hastening every where & since or poor corporation is like to outlive the charter of so famous a citty as London, we must compose ourselves with the lesse regret to expect & entertain or own dissolution. . . ."

[See Illustration]

I suppose Mr. Braden will write to you in answer to you about his plan
w^h he wants to sell it is all ready mortgaged to the Hayman of Charlestown
H^ou^se his wife grew extremely selfish & avaricious for the worst every day. He flatters
might quickly go one way or other. I pray him before he puts it
he would let me see what quantity of acres he makes it to extend to
& what rent he will estimate it at to you, asking to give Major
Thompson an account of it, & possibly by the way I may examine
Harry Mart about it, worth & rent pray if it be put into your hands
let the Major have the copy all thereof, & can not to oversee it
a just & equal price will thrive best with both seller & buyer. ex-
cept me to the Major that I cannot now write to him, & let him
know that I propose it to him to be a chapman for I know no
thing so likely that is how to be bought, so that the price be
not too high. your favor left many of your acquaintances that
are so much of death are not without cause for we are frequen-
tly following & friendly to the grave. The last was Mr. Rolland who
shall let the world god know. he that is ready will have great cause
of joy when his turn comes. There are five all passengers here
with you know, but I cannot take them long nor but
hope that one way or other the most material will come to you &
notice. though you will now more than ever find some more
ready trust that he that is rich in knowledge is rich in joy
now. I cannot now write to Capt. Richards nor to Mr.
Collins, but without this excuse & protect my most affectionate
respect & service to the & to my worthy friend Dr. Cox
as all others. I shall call at your house by & by having apprised
that the Boston Gazette were to call me there. The god of heaven
delight in you to improve you protect you & bless you & that
he that is prayer may find it they rejoice in it. I am your
most earnest & affectionate friend, Dear Sir

your kind friend & faithful friend

Aug: 20th 83.

Welliam Stoughton

I have nothing of my worthy friend Mr. Tallant. pray understand
me most affectionately to him. Belov^d mother Rev

WILLIAM STOUGHTON—GOVERNOR OF MASSACHUSETTS

Autograph Letter, Signed. 1683

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816. STOWE (HARRIET BEECHER—American writer, author of "Uncle Tom's Cabin"). A.L.S., 4pp. 12mo, "July 11, 1863." To "Fred (Stowe)." With transcript, biographical account, and portrait.

"You may imagine the anxiety with which we waited for news from you after the battle. The first we heard was on Monday morning from the paper, that you were wounded in the head. . . . At Springfield that night a gang of pickpockets hustled your father among them as he was getting out of the cars and took from him his pocket book containing \$130.00 and all the letters which your sisters and I wrote to you. . . . We must see you and return thanks together that your life is saved. God bless you. At last you have helped win a glorious victory. The cause is triumphant! God be thanked, . . ."

817. STOWE (HARRIET BEECHER—American writer, author of "Uncle Tom's Cabin"). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Hartford, Dec. 22, 1867." To "Mrs. [Bobba.]" With biographical note, and 2 portraits.

"Your note with kind invitation found me just going to the cars. In a few weeks we shall pass through New York, en route for Florida and my daughters will then be happy to renew their acquaintance with Misses Ida & Alice. . . ."

818. STOWE (HARRIET BEECHER—American writer; author of "Uncle Tom's Cabin"). A.L.S., 2pp. 12mo, "Feb. 15, 1873." To "Oliver Johnson." With transcript, biographical account, photograph, and addressed envelope.

"By all means put my name to the paper you sent me if of any value. By this mail I send a note to Mr. Garrison enforcing the request 'on my own hook.' . . ."

819. STRONG (WILLIAM—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1870). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Washington, Nov. 9, 1871." To "His Excellency The President of the United States." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"Gen. Gregory, the Marshal of the Eastern district of Pennsylvania, having recently deceased, many excellent men are desirous that Gen. Charles M. Bevier, of Philadelphia should be appointed to fill the vacancy, and they wish me to say of him what I know. . . ."

820. STRONG (WILLIAM—Associate Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1870). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Washington, Ap. 11, 87." To "Samuel Dickson, Esq.," relative to the Philadelphia celebration; Also,—A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Washington, Ap. 8, 1881," to "Carl Cratty," relative to Judge Swayne's autograph. Together, 2 folders.

821. SUE (EUGENE—author of "The Mysteries of Paris"). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, No year. To "Monsieur Pommier." With English transcript, and portrait.

Letter in French. The following is an English translation of same,—
"I would be much obliged to you, Sir, if you would take the trouble to call tomorrow, Saturday, before three o'clock . . . I have not a moment to spare, occupied as I am with the changes of the drama of the 'Mysteries of Paris.'"

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822. SUE (EUGENE—author of "The Mysteries of Paris"). A.L.S., 1p. 12mo. To "Citizen Didier, Public accuser." With English transcript, and portrait.

English transcript reads in part.—

"You would not believe, my good Amand, how much I have been touched by your kind and cordial letter. I know you to be sincere, and I believe you and am happy to think that you have passed these two days without too much ennui; and that you have accepted and welcomed my poor hospitality with as much pleasure as it was offered to you. . . ."

823. SUE (EUGENE—author of "The Mysteries of Paris"). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo. With English transcript and portrait.

Letter in French, a partial translation as follows,—

"Unfortunately Sir, the person of whom I spoke to you, and who I believed could dispose of a poem, has not yet returned—as to the piece of the Française I could not . . . till now and I do not dare to hope to be able to withdraw this little drama from the Comedie Française . . . more than to submit it to me—the only means would be to give them another work . . . this piece it is impossible for me to think of it . . ."

824. SULLIVAN (JAMES—Governor of Massachusetts). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Boston, 10th - March 1787." To "His Excell. John Sullivan, the President of New Hampshire." With transcript, and portrait.

Relative to the claims of Ira Allen.

"I shall thank you for information of the situation of Allen's claim whether your Legislature have done any thing, and if any thing what? how much Land is it probable will be finally obtained.

"Our political affairs are in the most disagreeable situation, every measure is taken by the General Court which can injure public and private Credit the whole system of Jurisprudence disarranged and property rendered insecure and of little value. Where it will end God only knows."

825. SULLIVAN (PETER J.—Brevet Brigadier-General, United States Army, and United States Minister to the United States of Colombia). A.L.S., 3pp. folio, "United States of Colombia, Bogota, Novr 25th 1867." To "John H. Green, Esqr. Office of Internal Revenue, Treasury Department, Washington City." With transcript, and biographical note.

FINE LETTER, with mention of General Grant.

"That great and good man was made aware Of your merit as a distinguished author and writer; that while Editor Of the Catholic Telegraph at Cincinnati, you had published Several very able articles claiming that through his genius and unyielding courage, the powerful rebel army was defeated at Shiloh; that in one of our great battles for the Union, a rebel had sent a bullet through your body.

"I thank God that I had the distinguished honor of serving in the terrible battle of Shiloh, which was the first Union wedge driven into the heart of the Confederacy, under the immediate eye of that greatest of Soldiers and purest of patriots—'GENERAL UNITED STATES GRANT' as we used to call him in the Army of the Mississippi.

"He, not like Caesar stained with the destruction of his country, which had existed as a kind of a repub for upwards of One Thousand

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Years, has Saved the great modern republic of the United States from disintegration and decay, and who, without a rival, can and will still preserve, and let the Republic which he has made glorious repose with safety, in the arms of its legitimate Sovereign—the whole united people. Then it will live to rebuke and reform its would be destroyers. . . .”

826. SULLIVAN (WILLIAM—lawyer, member Massachusetts Legislature). A.L.S., 3pp. 4to, “Boston Oct. 24. 1814.” To “Hon. Mr. Miller, in Congress, Washington.” With transcript, two-page printed biographical note, and portrait.

“ . . . It is difficult to say what our convention will do.—Events which may be expected within the next 60 days will probably have a great influence on the proceedings of that body— The States must be defended—the United States will not defend them— Can we consent to pay millions and millions to be spent in electioneering or in hopeless invasion, and also to pay all the charges of preparing to repel invasion of ourselves? We cannot. May we refuse to permit the collection of so much as may be necessary for our defence?— This will be direct collision with the General Government.— Perhaps some middle course may be found out by Yankee cunning.— One thing the convention may do—they may declare or resolve that they think that peace ought to be made on certain terms . . . ”

827. SUMNER (CHARLES—opponent of Slavery; United States Senator from Massachusetts). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, “Boston Oct. 31st 1844.” Passage copied from the ‘Inferno.’ With transcript; A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, “Saratoga 28th Aug. 55.” To “Saml. D. Dole Esq.,” relative to an invitation which he must decline. With transcript; A.L.S., 2pp. 12mo, “Washington 1st Jan ’74.” To “Mr. Smith,” relative to the ‘little pluck among the colored representatives. They are considering how to surrender the Civil Rights Bill. . . .’ With biographical note, and portrait.

828. SUMNER (CHARLES—opponent of Slavery; United States Senator from Massachusetts). A.L.S., 3pp. 12mo, Washington 8th Dec - ’55.” To “Hon Mr Zoeseon, Jr.” With transcript, and portrait.

“ . . . I say at once that it was not in my power to aid you, It is the representatives & not the senators who exercise the patronage with regard to West Point & also the Navy; & I am heartily glad of it. . . .”

829. SUMNER (CHARLES—opponent of Slavery; United States Senator from Massachusetts). A.L.S., 2pp. 12mo, “Boston 22 Aug. ’60.” With transcript, biographical note, and portrait. Letter inlaid. Encloses \$44, on account of bill for portraits.

830. SUMNER (CHARLES—opponent of Slavery; United States Senator from Massachusetts). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, “Boston 15th Aug. ’66.” With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

“ . . . I look with great anxiety to affairs at home & abroad. At home present peace & a solid reconstruction are postponed & jeopardized by the madness of the President. Abroad the elements seem to be in commotion. The French claim to the Rhine promises war. All Germany will resist it. . . .”

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831. SUMNER (CHARLES—opponent of Slavery; United States Senator from Massachusetts). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo. "Boston 1th July '69." To a friend in Lowell, Massachusetts. With transcript, and portrait.

832. SWAYNE (N. H.—appointed by President Lincoln as Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Washington, Feb. 28, 1865." To "Hon. James Speed, Atty-General." With transcript, and portrait.

"I beg to introduce to your acquaintance my friend the Hon. J. M. Root of Ohio. . . . one of the ablest men at the bar of Ohio. . . ."

833. TAFT (WILLIAM H.—21th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "The President's Cottage, Beverly, Massachusetts, Sept. 10th, 1909." To "J. H. Benton, LL.D. Ames Building, Boston, Mass." With addressed envelope, stamped, and portrait of Ex-President Taft.

Letter of thanks in acknowledgement of the receipt of Mr. Benton's "Story of the Old Boston Town House."

834. TALFOURD (THOMAS N.—English dramatist and essayist). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "August 4, London." To "Edward Moxon, Esq." With transcript, and portrait.

" . . . I mean to prepare the neat little volume I spoke of some time ago to be ready by Christmas, contains the Citizen Speeches Rectibus—&c;—but it will be time enough to begin it on my return. I have sent your letter to Wadsworth today . . . I have received Lord Leigh's poems —& do not know whether they have been so sent as to render it proper for me to acknowledge them by note to the noble author, or only & verbally through you. . . ."

835. TANAKA (I.—chief librarian of the Imperial Library of Japan). L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Imperial Library of Japan, Uyeno Park, Tokyo, June 7, 1909." To "Mr. Josiah H. Benton, Boston Public Library, Boston, Mass." Acknowledging receipt of two copies of the "Working of the Boston Public Library," and a copy of "The Story of the Old Boston Town." With printed acknowledgment in Japanese of the same.

836. TANEY (ROGER BROOKE—Chief Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1836). A.L.S., 3pp. 4to, "Frederick, April 30, 1817." To "The Honble Nicholas Brice, Baltimore." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"Mr. Paca placed in my hands for collection a claim against Mr. T. Buchanan for money due the late Mrs. Chew. My interview with Mr. Paca was a very short one, but if I understand the case rightly there is a difference of opinion between Mr. Paca & Mr. Buchanan about the rent from Novr. 10, 1799, to April 1, 1800. Upon a careful examination of the papers I see nothing that can support the claim against Mr. Buchanan but the mortgage of Locker to Fitzhugh—& upon that mortgage it seems to be clear, that nothing can be recovered for the period above mentioned.—In addition to this I have seen a statement in writing from Mr. John Buchanan, that he had seen Mr. Chew's written assent to the provision that had been made for her by the mortgage. Under these circumstances I think it impossible to more against Mr. Buchanan the rent for the period above mentioned. . . ."

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837. TANEY (ROGER BROOKE—Chief Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1836). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Washington, March 1, 1864." To "R. B. Taney Campbell, Baltimore." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"... Maria & Mr. Allison have sent me their photographs,—& I have placed them in a double frame & hung them up in my bedroom. Ask your father & dear mother to send me theirs, as wish to place them together & by the side of Mr. Allison & Maria. . . ."

838. TANEY (ROGER BROOKE—Chief Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1836). A.L.S., 5pp. 4to, "Baltimore, Feby 7, 1786." To "The Honble S. Smith, Washington:" Also,—Treasury Department Permit, signed in the autographs of,—"R. B. Taney, Secretary of the Treasury," and "Saml Swartwout, Esqr., Collector of Customs, New York," 1p. 4to, "Treasury Department, May 26th, 1834," granting permission to Messrs. G. G. & S. Howland, to import goods from Trieste. With transcript of letter, biographical note, and two portraits.

VERY IMPORTANT LETTER, giving his opinion on the treaty rights in connection with Georgia lands ceded by the Indians.

"... It would seem to me however that rights once vested in a third party by a treaty cannot be taken away without the consent of the party so interested.—When the parties to the treaty are alone interested, they may alter and modify the treaty as they please because they are dealing with their own rights and not with the rights of others. But as soon as a treaty is ratified it becomes the Supreme law, and any peculiar right which an individual citizen in a state has acquired under it, distinct from the nation at large becomes a vested legal right and cannot be taken away without their consent. In this view of the subject I should think, that the right thus acquired could not be divested by the treaty making power—nor indeed by the Legislative power of congress according to the principals of moral justice, and sound Legislation. For the power & the right must never be confounded together.—

"In relation to the act of 1793,—in that case no third parties were interested.—There was no actual war which put an end to treaties.—But it was supposed that the conduct of France had absolved the U. S. from the obligations of the treaty. If I am right in these facts, a Legislative act was supposed necessary to put an end to the obligations of the treaty. . . . could not rightfully repeal a treaty by which certain rights were vested in Georgia unless Georgia consented to relinquish the rights she had acquired. The difficulty in that case must I presume be in the facts.—If the persons who made the first treaty had no right to cede the lands to the extent mentioned in the treaty then it would not bind those who did not assent to it.—The U. S. obtained by the treaty all that the parties to it had a right to cede, but could obtain nothing more. They could not grant beyond what they had. But if the chiefs who signed the first treaty had a right to treat in behalf of the nation it would seem to me to be very clear that no subsequent treaty could divest the rights of Georgia acquired under the first. Whether or not the chiefs who signed the first treaty had a right to contract in behalf of the nation, is a fact upon which of course I am unable to form an opinion. . . ."

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839. TAYLOR (ZACHARY—12th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Fort Selden, 8th March 1822." To "Majr. W. Bradford, Fort Smith, Arkansas" (sic).

"This will be handed you by my friend Surgeon Thos. Lawson of the U. S. Army, . . . during his stay at your place, any attention it may be in your power to extend to him, will confer an obligation."

840. TAYLOR (ZACHARY—12th President of the United States). A.N.S., 1p. 8vo, "Cincinnati Ohio 18th June 1824." To "Capt. John Weaver." Note to pay R. C. Parker, \$70 in demand. With portrait.

841. TAYLOR (ZACHARY—12th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Octr. 7th, 1848." To "Mr. John Copeland." Accepting an invitation to dine. With portrait, and transcript of letter.

842. TAYLOR (ZACHARY—12th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Baton Rouge Louisiana, December 6th, 1848." To "Miss Lucy H. Jones, 178 Market Street, Philadelphia." Signed as Major-General in the U. S. Army. With transcript, and portrait.

"On my return here a day or two since from New Orleans where I had been on official duty, I had the pleasure to receive your very kind and acceptable letter, with a few lines from your father embraced in the same, of the 13th, ulto, asking a lock of my hair, which request is with pleasure complied with; among it you will find as many if not more gray or white than black hair, which I flatter myself will not be the less prized on that acct. as they have been bleached while in the service of our common country. . . ."

843. TENNYSON (ALFRED, LORD—poet-laureate of England). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo. "Farrington, Freshwater, Isle of Wight, Jan. 26. 1874." With portrait.

"I never answer these queries—they come too thick.

"However, I may remark that I have not written 'that other X& to be' apparently your 'contemptuous' parson has never heard of the 2d Advent.

"There was a fair way for him to walk in, but he puts his own stumbling block there on & when he has broken his shins against it, would fain break my head too. . . ."

844. TERRY (ELLEN—eminent English actress). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "March 3 - 88." To "Major Pond." With transcript, and 2 portraits, one of which is an autographed photograph.

"Ever so many thanks for your letter. I have written to Mrs. Beecher & told her I wd. go to her on Monday—over to Brooklyn—The dear lady seems down hearted—as indeed she might be, now—alone—when once it was so different! My heart aches for her."

845. THACKERAY (WILLIAM MAKEPEACE—popular English novelist and humorist). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "New York, Jan 26th" (1852). To James T. Fields (Boston). With portrait.

"New Orleans seems a very long way off, & I am thinking whether I could not employ my time as well in re-visiting Boston, as in going so far South. Tell me if you think they would like the Lectures over again in April, in wh. case means might be taken to bring me to Boston."

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846. THOMAS (GEORGE H.—Major-General in the Civil War). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Camp near Williamsport, Md., June 23, 1861." To "Mr. E. Anthony." With transcript, biographical account, and portrait.

"Your favour of the 13th inst was received yesterday. It would afford me much pleasure to comply with your request, but we are now so far in the interior that we are entirely out of the reach of photographic operators. . . ."

847. THOMAS (GEORGE H.—Major-General in the Civil War). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Louisville, Ky. January 11, 1865." To "Hubert P. Mann." With transcript, biographical account, and portrait. Relative to his autograph.

848. THOMAS (ISAIAH—celebrated New England printer). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Worcester, April 23d. 1790." To "Messrs Hudson & Goodwin," relative to the purchase of blue color bonnet papers; Also,—A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Worcester, Novr. 9th 1792." To "Mr. Isaac Beers Newhaven," relative to his almanacks and an order for books from Boston. With portrait.

849. THOMPSON (R. W.—Secretary of the Navy). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "House of Rep: 13. Decr. 1847." To "Jno. T. Mason." With transcript, and portrait. Regarding the application of W. W. Tilley, for midshipman.

850. THOMPSON (SMITH—Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court, appointed in 1823). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Navy Department, March 10th 1819." To "George C. Read, Esqr, Commanding U. S. Ship Hornet, Boston." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

" . . . the Honble. John Forsyth, and Suite, consisting of only two Gentlemen, will embark on board the Hornet, under your command, at Boston; . . ."

851. THOMPSON (SMITH—Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court, appointed in 1823). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Washington, Jany. 12, 1824." To "Benjn. F. Butler, Esq." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

" . . . I was not aware of any taxes being due on my 2 woodlots on the hill I supposed the property rented for something and that Mr Bloodgood kept the taxes paid up. . . . My rents on my houses I have appropriated otherwise, and have requested Mr. Van Buren to authorize you to advance for me whatever is necessary, . . ."

852. THORNDIKE (ISRAEL—Boston merchant; Captain of the Privateer "Warren" during the American Revolution). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Boston 16th Feby, 1818." To "Messrs. Th. M & Rich'd Willing, Philadelphia." Relative to certificates of public stock.

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853. TOCQUEVILLE (ALEXIS DE—French statesman and author). A.L.S., 6pp. 8vo, "Caunes. Department of the War, Sept. 19, '58." With French and English transcripts, and portrait.

Letter in French. The following is a partial translation of same,—

"The last time you wrote me you were kind enough to tell me that if I had need of any new information in your power to give me, that you would gladly furnish it.

"I wish to take advantage of this kindness again.

"My friend, Mr. Davis, who, as I believe I have told you, is Superintendent of Customs of a part of Normandy would like very much to know whether or not in England the same as in France the corps of Customs Inspectors belongs exclusively to the Customs Department or whether it does not consist of a certain military and naval force put at the special disposition of the Customs Service by the government, but which, moreover, may be used in exceptional cases for any other public service? . . ."

854. TOCQUEVILLE (ALEXIS DE—French statesman and author). A.L.S. (in French), 2pp. 8vo, "Paris, Sunday Morning." To "Monsieur Sumner, 4 bis rue des beaux arts, Paris." With address, English transcript, and wax seal.

English transcript of one paragraph reads,—

" . . . I can easily obtain the report of M. Sognet [?] and I believe also that of M. Bauchard. As for the documents which will be published in support of the latter, the difficulty will be perhaps much greater. This publication will form, I think, several volumes, and I do not know whether each representative will be able to obtain more than one copy. . ."

855. TODD (THOMAS—Associate-Justice of the United States Supreme Court, appointed in 1807). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Frankfort. Decr. 20th 1799." To "Col. Thomas Todd." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait. Relative to Colonel Todd's nomination for governor of Tennessee.

856. TOMPKINS (DANIEL D.—Vice-President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Albany, March 11, 1816." To "Archd. McIntyre, Esq." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait. In relation to the signing of warrants in the case of the claims of George Clarke and confiscated estates.

857. TOURGUENEFF (IVAN—Russian novelist). A.L.S., in French, 4pp. 8vo, "Baden, 7 Schillerstrasse, July 26, 67." With English transcript, and portrait.

A partial translation reads as follows,—

"I have just looked over the first chapters of 'Smoke' in the Correspondent, and I frankly admit to you that I have not been able to avoid a feeling of sorrow at seeing my name signed to a work which seems—it is necessary to say it—with mistakes and absurdities. You have not paid attention to the corrections which I hastened to send you through M. Merimee; it was then useless, to say the least, to send me these proofs. I do not complain of the suppressions, softening of expressions, etc.—which you have thought necessary—but I cannot admit that I should be made to say 'heir' where I said 'black.' . . ."

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858. TOURGUENEFF (IVAN—Russian novelist). A.L.S., in French, 1p. 8vo, "50, Rue De Douai Paris Wednesday Evening April 6." With English transcript, and portrait.

A partial translation reads as follows,—

"I would have been very glad to put myself at your service and to make myself useful to our association to the limit of my ability; but you speak of May 1, and I shall be on my way to Russia on April 15.— Paul Viardot is in the same position, he has accepted an engagement for England . . ."

859. TREE (ELLEN—English actress). A.L.S., 4pp. 12mo, "London," no year. To "Miss Conner." With transcript, and portrait.

" . . . I should be sorry to feel that one who seems formed and has been educated for something superior should be doomed to a country actress life. Keep clear of such a fate my dear girl. . . ."

860. TROLLOPE (ANTHONY—English novelist). A.L.S., 1p. 12mo, "Waltham House, Waltham Cross, 8 May 1867." To "Mr. Enoch." With transcript, and two portraits.

"Will you ask Mr. Smith whether he will oblige me with 3 copies of the completed — Land Chronicle. If so, will you address one copy to my wife here, one copy to Mrs. Milton."

861. TRUMBULL (JONATHAN—Governor of Connecticut). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Lebanon, March 30th, 1772." To "Rev. Mr. Benj. Trumbull." With transcript, and portrait.

AN IMPORTANT LETTER ON HISTORICAL MATTERS, of unusual length.

"I have extracted from the Manuscript New England History wrote by the Honble John Winthrop Esqr, first Governor of the Massachusetts Bay, many things relative to the Colony, together with some other remarkable; which I have committed to the care of Roger Sherman Esq. to communicate to you, to be returned to me at the Election in May next. I shall go on to extract what I find further relative to this Colony, till the conclusion of His History, which Ends in 1644. I have many other original papers, which Mr Winthrop has favoured me with, which I had time only to see that they will many of them be useful in writing a History of the Colony. . . . I wish you success therein, and to afford you any help in my Power.— Imagine the Earliest Times of the Colony will be attended with the most difficulty to collect the Facts with sufficient certainty,—wherein the great Excellency of a History consists. . . . May the Divine presence and Blessing accompany you in all your Labours for the Public, and the Benefit of the Souls under your charge—as well as every Family Favour,"— then follows lengthy historical data of great importance.

[See Illustration]

862. TRUMBULL (JONATHAN—Governor of Connecticut). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Lebanon, 4 May 1777." To "Andrew Huntington." With transcript, biographical account, and portrait.

"As you have a larger Quantity of Rum in your Custody belonging to the Commisary General than is thought safe & prudent to remain in Norwich at this Time it is the Opinion & Advice of the Governor & Council that a Part of sd. Rum be removed without Delay towards Hartford, . . ."

Libanon, March 30th 1772.

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May the Divine presence and Blessings accompany you in all your Labours for the Public, and the Benefit of the souls under your charge — as will every Family Prayour.

I am, with Esteem & Sincerity, most affectionately

Respectfully
Your Obedient
Humble Servant

Jon: Trumbull

Rev M^r Bury Trumbull

JONATHAN TRUMBULL—GOVERNOR OF CONNECTICUT

Autograph Letter, Signed. 1772

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863. TRUMBULL (JONATHAN—Governor of Connecticut). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Lebanon, 23d March, 1804." To "Rev'd. Saml. Parker D. D. Correspondg Sec'y. Boston." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"I receive with much respect the Certificate, which the Trustees of the Massa Society for promoting Agriculture, have been pleased to transmit to me, admitting me, as an Honorary Member into their usefull & respectable Society—I pray you, Sir, to communicate to the Society, the high Estimation in which I hold this Testimony of their regard, . . ."

864. TRUMBULL (LYMAN—United States Senator from Illinois). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Washington Jan'y 2, 1811." To "Rev. Dr. Adams." With transcript, and portrait.

Regrets not being able to take part in the meeting at the Academy of Music to express to United Italy the feeling of the American people.

" . . . The opening of Italy to liberal ideas, & the unlocking of Rome itself to the advancing civilization and intelligence of the nineteenth century, are great events in the world's history. If with civil and religious freedom guaranteed to all, the mysteries and doctrines of Rome can stand the test of free thought and free discussion, let them prevail and become universal; if not, let them give way to a purer faith and a higher and better civilization. . . ."

865. TRUMBULL (LYMAN—United States Senator from Illinois). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Chicago, Jan'y 2/84." To "Dr. E. Ingals." With portrait. With mention of his photograph, on Lincoln letters.

866. TUPPER (MARTIN F.—author of "Proverbial Philosophy"). A.L.S., 4pp. 12mo, "Guilford, May 29 - 1862." To "Mr. Mayer." With transcript, and portrait.

To an American correspondent, written during the Civil War.

" . . . How terrible is the state of your poor country; & the end is not yet to be guessed or prophesied: all this will throw you back a Century, & will break you up into the condition of Monte Video, Chili, Uruguay &c. For my part I execrate the traitors who have so destroyed your Great Oneness: but, to my judgment, it is gone forever, like a broken egg . . ."

867. TYLER (JOHN—10th President of the United States). A.L.S., 3pp. 4to, "Gloucester-place Jan. 23. 1837." To "Hon. H. A. Wise." With biographical note, and portrait.

A HIGHLY IMPORTANT POLITICAL LETTER.

"I have watched with no small interest the proceedings of 'the party,' on the subject of the Tariff and I have felt the deepest anxiety that the Southerners should fall in to Cambrelings' more and loudly demand the reduction of the duties—When I voted for the compromise Act. I did so in the best faith. . . . for altho the manufacturing interest had greatly violated the rights of the South, and had brought us near to civil war, yet I felt as an American and was therefore well disposed to let down the system by slow degrees Seven years were asked for and with others I readily granted it. . . ."

"They represent Pennsylvania, N. York, Maine, Connecticut New Hampshire Rh. Island, a majority of the Manufacturing States, and I

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would put their sincerity to the test—The South should make loud calls upon them to press forward. . . . Cambrelings bill should be considered as the first measure of the session—But mark! it is a mere feint—They mean if possible to confine the sales of public lands to actual settlers and the revenue from imports will be found not more than sufficient to meet their economical expenditures—I want the pea-viners exposed if indeed they are pea-vining it. . . ."

"One word about the past—The double shotted ticket killed us added to the fact that our leading paper played altogether for the Northern States—They substantially dropped Judge White and took up Harrison—This caused the thin turn out in tide water Virginia and lost us the vote of N. Carolina. . . ."

868. TYLER (JOHN—10th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Washington July 14, 1842." To "Messrs Eckfeldt & Du Bois." With transcript, and portrait of Tyler.

"I have to return you my acknowledgements for a copy of your 'Manual of Gold and Silver Coins of all Nations struck within the last century' . . ."

869. TYLER (JOHN—10th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Private. Sep. 27. 1842." Relative to a Post-office appointment. With transcript, and portrait.

870. TYLER (JOHN—10th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Sherwood Forest Feb. 5. 1855." To "C. Morfit Esqr." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

Regrets not having been able to deliver the lecture at the Mechanics Institute in Baltimore.

" . . . You acted entirely in conformity with my own unexpressed wishes in conferring the task upon another and thereby securing the delivery of a full course of lectures in regular succession. . . ."

871. TYLER (JOHN—10th President of the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Villa Margaret June 11, 1860." To "Cincinnati Newton Esq, Norfolk, Va." Franked address. With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"I greatly fear that my collections will fall short of the amt of my note to your Brother Capt. Newton on the 16 July. The Captain, with a generosity which marked his conduct in the whole of my transaction with him left it to myself to fix the payment of that last note, and relying on the certainty of collections I find the day designated, but in place of fair and liberal conduct on the part of my debtors in Kentucky, they have thrown every impediment in the way, and now when the Supreme court of that State had decided all matters in controversy in my favour, they court the laws delay, and postpone payment until the Fall. . . ."

872. TYLER (ROYAL—American jurist; author of the first American play produced by regular actors). A.D.S., 1p. folio, "Rutland, Feby 1 - 1804." Legal memorandum. With biographical note, and portrait engraved by S. Hooyer.

"Then personally appeared Elkanah Stevens of Royallton, Windsor County, before me and acknowledged himself in due form of law [recognized] to Josiah Edan of Randolph, County of Orange, —in the form of twelve hundred dollars for the prosecution of a certain Writ of Error. . . ."

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873. UPSHUR (ABEL PARKER—United States Secretary of State). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Department of State Washington, August 5, 1843." With transcript, and portrait. Regarding a volume of New Hampshire Reports.
874. VAN BUREN (MARTIN—8th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. folio, "Newyork, June 6, 1814." With transcript, and portrait. Mentions a Mr. Ogden in connection with an award which Judge Radcliff refused to sign,—*This last act tops the climax & adds offensive indecency to rank Injustice.*
875. VAN BUREN (MARTIN—8th President of the United States). A.L.S., 3pp. 4to, "Washington, April 8th, 1826, 7 o'clock P. M." To "Mr. Dudley."
Relative to duel between Randolph and Clay, mentions names of "Seconds."
"Messrs. Randolph & Clay have fought a duel this afternoon in the neighborhood of this City. There are a thousand different reports about Town as to the particulars & I have no doubt you will have as many more. Dr. Hunt his surgeon who went out with Mr. Clay says that both parties behaved well &c. &c. All that we certainly know is that at the first fire neither party was injured, that Mr. R. received Mr. Clays second fire also without prejudice & then discharged his pistol in the air. . . ."
876. VAN BUREN (MARTIN—8th President of the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "W. Feby 20-30." To "Mr. Wilde." With portrait, and note of Van Buren.
Written while Secretary of State in President Jackson's cabinet.
"All I can with propriety say to you is that there has been unusual application made for the appointment of Consul at Gibraltar but that the President has not determined to displace the present incumbent."
877. VAN BUREN (MARTIN—8th President of the United States). A.L.S., 4pp. 4to, "New York Nov - 7. - 33." "Private." To "Gov. Macey." With portrait.
"I regret from the bottom of my heart the incident to which you refer. It comes upon me by surprise & creates in me the same feelings that it has in you. I have not had an opportunity to ascertain but am almost certain that the idea that it has recd. countenance in the quarter to which you allude is principally if not wholly founded in mistakes. . . ."
878. VAN BUREN (MARTIN—8th President of the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Washington June 29th. 1837." To "the Committee on Celebration, Democratic Citizens of the First and Second Congressional Districts of Pennsylvania." Regrets that he is unable to attend. With biographical note, and portrait.
879. VAN BUREN (MARTIN—8th President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Kinderhook July 29th, '55." To "Mr. Philips." With transcript, and biographical note, and portrait.
Relative to the subject of slavery in connection with General Jackson's negotiation for a part of Texas.

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880. VAN NESS (C. P.—Governor of Vermont). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "New York Sept. 15th, 1843." To "R. Smith, Esq. Cashier of the Bank of the Metropolis." With transcript, and portrait. On financial matters.
881. VAN RODENS (R. F.—Governor of Surinam, Dutch Guiana). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Paramaribo 28 May 1850."
882. VATTEMARE (ALEXANDRE—founder of the System of International Exchanges). Engraved card with autograph inscription,—"*To my excellent friend Samuel L. Harris. A. Vattemare.*"
883. VICTORIA (QUEEN OF ENGLAND). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Ramsgate, Dec., 24th, 1835." To her Aunt. With transcript, and portrait.
"Allow me again to trouble you with a few lines to wish you many happy returns of the season and a very happy new year. I hope this coming year will bring every happiness you can desire. You will, I hope have had a better day, than we have here, for we have got a very thick fog, quite like those at the Palace.
"The death of poor Ly. Fanny Ponsonby is very melancholy; it was expected for the last month, though, I believe. Her poor husband, to whom she was only married 4 months, is in a state of distraction . . ."
884. VICTORIA (QUEEN OF ENGLAND). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Windsor Castle, Oct., 18, 1848." With transcript, and portrait.
"The Queen approves that Dr. Bowring shd; be appointed Consul at Canton . . ."
885. VINCENT (M. A.—American actress). Autograph Sentiment. 1p. 12mo, "Boston Museum, November 27, 1884." (Leaf evidently taken from an autograph book.) With transcript, and portrait; Also,—A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, by Francis M. Stammer, relative to Miss Vincent's portrait.
886. VOLTAIRE (FRANÇOIS MARIE AROUET DE—celebrated French writer). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, in French. "Aux délices 16e Juillet 1762." To "M. Du Chene, for Mr. Palissot of Montenois, Paris," expressing grateful acknowledgement of receipt of Mr. Palissot's last literary piece, and commenting on its style, remarking that "all men of letters should be united." With wax seal, and transcript in English and French.
887. WADE (B. F.—United States Senator from Ohio). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Washington, April 15th, 56." To "Mr. Fesenden." With transcript, biographical account, and 2 portraits.
" . . . Douglass objected to the receipt of a Kansas Petition, which caused a universal pitching in, and consumed the whole day, and the Republicans are in high glee believing that they had the best of the fight. . . . Fremont is growing very fast in the people's estimation. I find that his name takes in Ohio like tinder. I think he will distance all others, & if he is nominated he will be elected. Mark that. . . ."

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888. WADE (BENJAMIN F.—United States Senator from Ohio). A.L.S., 1p. Svo, "Washington, March 26th /62." To "Hon Charles Sumner." With transcript, and portrait.

"I desire to introduce to your favourable notice, Wm Stade Jr Esq of Clercland, Ohio, who has just been appointed Consul to Nice. . . ."

889. WAITE (MORRISON R.—Chief Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1874). A.L.S., 3pp. 4to, "Maumee City, Feb., 3. 47." To "Hon E. Lane." With transcript, biographical account, and portrait. A long and interesting letter, mainly on legal matters.

890. WAITE (MORRISON R.—Chief Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1874). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Washington, D. C., May 11, 1874." To "M. D. Phillips, Esqr." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

"The only biographical sketch of myself that I have seen published is one in the Eclectic Magazine for this month. That I believe is substantially accurate, the only error of fact which I noticed was in respect to my age at graduation. It is put at 22, when in truth I was not quite 21."

891. WAITE (MORRISON R.—Chief Justice, United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1874). A.L.S., 2pp. Svo, "Washington, D. C., May 2, 1876." To "Mrs. Martha J. Lamb." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

" . . . I thought it better to ask Mr. Fish and Mr. Bancroft for their subscriptions myself than to have you make application yourself . . . May you reap a rich reward for all your patient toil during the past ten years. . . ."

892. WARD (ARTEMAS—Brigadier-General in the American Revolution; delegate to the Continental Congress). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Boston, Feb'y 16th. 1833." To "Hon. H. A. S. Dearborn, Member of Congress, Washington City." With transcript, and portrait.

AN EXCEEDINGLY FINE POLITICAL LETTER.

" . . . Your speech, I think, is argumentative and eloquent, and shows that you have correct ideas of matters and things and the affairs of our country in general. That the industry, enterprise and frugality of New England will sustain them, even against an unwise, improvident and (as it relates to the whole country) unjust policy, on the part of the United States, in my mind, is unquestionable; and that they will always be in advance of our southern brethren, in point of property and physical power, while slavery is, there, tolerated and slave labor alone employed, is very clear. With all the vaporing and boasting of the S. Carolinians, of their state being the garden of the U. S. and of the great amount of their exports, their land is not good enough to produce a profit, when cultivated by slaves, and their white population live in idleness and indolence— If the protection of American industry is wholly abandoned S. C. will not meet the advantages which she expects nor the halcyon days which they apprehend. They cannot compete with Louisiana, Alabama, &c. or with Texas, when the duty on foreign cotton is removed. . . ."

With mention of Henry Clay.

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893. WARNER (CHARLES DUDLEY—American author). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Hartford, April 1, 1883." To "F. H. Underwood." With transcript, biographical account, and portrait.

"I cannot but be pleased and flattered by your approval of the paper on Fiction, you who have recently so maturely considered the subject and are in every way so capable of handling it. . . ."

894. WARREN (SAMUEL—popular English novelist). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Inner Temple, 10th May, 1815." To "J. R. Macculloch, Esqr." With transcript, and portrait.

" . . . The work which you have sent me will be an invaluable addition to my library—for I have long wanted some such book, & till the publication of your's there was nothing extant of the sort. It must have cost you great labour.

"When my 'Law Studies' make their appearance (which will I trust be in a few weeks' time) I shall beg your acceptance of a copy. . . ."

895. WARREN (SAMUEL—popular English novelist). A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo, "King's Bench Walk, Inner Temple, 24th August, 1850." To "John Henderson, Esqr." With transcript, and portrait.

" . . . I will take an early opportunity of reading 'Life for Life,' and with some hopefulness, from the high terms in which both of you speak of it. Nevertheless my heart aches when I look at the work & recollect what I have been told by yr good sister concerning the circumstances under which it was written, & the objects contemplated by the writer,—and combine with these considerations my practical knowledge of the difficulties impeding progress in this direction of literary effort. If I can do anything for the writer, I will; but I am not sanguine—having regard to the difficulties aforesaid. . . ."

896. WARREN (WILLIAM—American actor). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Boston Feb. 10th/81." To "Percy Weith." With transcript, and 2 portraits.

" . . . I take the road for a fortnight, on Monday next.

"Call at the Museum next week, and Mr. Field will give you the seats. . . ."

897. WASHBURN (EMORY—Governor of Massachusetts). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Cambridge May 15." With biographical note, and portrait.

898. WASHBURNE (ELIHU B.—American statesman). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Legation des États Unis Paris Dec. 27, 1871." To "Col. C. L. Stephenson." With transcript, and portrait. Asking that payment of ten dollars be made.

899. WASHINGTON (BUSHROD—nephew of George Washington, and Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1798). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Mt. Vernon, June 16th, 1813;" Also,—A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Mt. Vernon, March 10, 1801;" and A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Nov. 1, 1817," to "C. P. Wayne." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

The first letter relates to payment of a debt, and reads in part,—

"I have been using every exertion in my power to sell the land in Westmoreland on which you have a security, for the purpose of paying

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first your debt, and afterwards the other creditors, so far as the fund would extend. But I see no prospect of disposing of it for ready money as I wished, and to effect which I consented to take a very reduced price. . . .

"Should you require your debt when due, the consequence will be that so trifling a payment can be made to the other creditors that I fear they will insist upon a sale of my nephew's negroes & furniture, to prevent which, I was induced to make the heavy advances I have done to you, and to undertake the management of the trust fund. . . ."

900. WASHINGTON (BUSHROD—nephew to George Washington and Associate-Justice of the United States Supreme Court, appointed, 1798). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Mount Vernon, June 15 1829." To "The Rev'd W. B. Sprague, West Springfield, Massachusetts." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

901. WASHINGTON (GEORGE—1st President of the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Mount Vernon 9th, Jan'y, 1787." To "Mr. D. Carroll, Baltimore." Address franked with Washington's signature. With transcript, and 2 portraits.

" . . . The land I advertised as for Sale is Fayette County containing 1650 acres or thereabout, by the Patent, may, as a tract, be considered as equal to any in that County, or Country; but as it is my wish that the purchaser should examine it, I will say no more than that there is an appearance of a rich Iron Ore at the door of the Mine, which is now much out of repair. . . ."

[See Illustration]

902. WASHINGTON (GEORGE—1st President of the United States). Copy of a most charming and highly interesting letter written by George Washington to Miss Eleanor Parke Custis (daughter of John Parke Custis, the last surviving child of Martha Washington by her first husband—Daniel Parke Custis. Adopted, on the death of her father, by George Washington). This letter was written from Philadelphia, and is dated, March 22, 1796. With portrait of Washington and facsimile of his bookplate. There is also transcript of the letter.

After lecturing Miss Custis on the style of her letters, Washington gives a long discourse on the subject of marriage and the necessary characteristics for a gentleman to have in order to make a good husband.

903. WASHINGTON (GEORGE—1st President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Mount Vernon 8th. July 1796." To "John Marshall, Richmond." With transcript of this and other letters (see below), and portrait. Washington's letter has been neatly repaired and protected by transparent gauze.

HIGHLY IMPORTANT LETTER RELATING TO THE RECALL OF THE AMERICAN MINISTER AT PARIS.

"This letter of Washington to Marshall was copied by his Secretary, Barth, into the letter book from which Sparks printed the letters of Washington. The postscript, however, was not copied into the letter

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Mount Vernon 9th Jan 1787

Sir,

Your letter of the 26th ult. did not reach me till within the 3 days, or it should have received an earlier acknowledgment. -

The land I advertised for sale in Fayette County, containing 1650 acres or thereabouts, by the Patent, may, as a tract, be considered as equal to any in that County, or Country; but as it is my wish that the purchaser should examine it, I will say no more than that there is an appearance of a rich Iron Ore at the door of the Mine, which is now much out of repair.

Small tracts of land in the vicinity of this, of the same quality have sold for three pounds upward per Acre - But if one person will take the whole of mine, I would let it go for Forty Shillings, that may be an acre (payable in Specie) one fourth down - the other three fourths in annual payments, with interest
Yours

GEORGE WASHINGTON—PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

Autograph Letter, Signed. 1787

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book. Evidently Washington, after the letter was copied and before it was despatched, thinking that Marshall was about to go from Richmond to Philadelphia, wrote the postscript in the margin of the letter, asking him to call at Mount Vernon on his way.

"The postscript has therefore never been printed. Sparks prints the letter without the postscript, and also prints a letter of July 8, 1779, of Washington Pickering, Secretary of State, with regard to recalling the American Minister to Paris, and also the letter to Pinckney enclosed in the letter to Marshall, and Pinckney's reply, and also Marshall's reply. A typewritten transcript of each of the letters referred to accompanies this collection."

"In confidence I inform you, that it has become indispensably necessary to recall our Minister at Paris; and to send one in his place who will explain, faithfully, the views of this government and ascertain those of France.—

"Nothing would be more pleasing to me, than that you should be this organ; . . . Your own correct knowledge of circumstances render details unnecessary."

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904. WASHINGTON (GEORGE—1st President of the United States). A.L.S., 4pp. 4to, "Mount Vernon 12th Novr. 1799." To "Mr. John Gill." With transcript, and portrait.

FINE LETTER RELATIVE TO A SURVEY OF LAND MADE BY WASHINGTON.

"I am just returned from Difficult Run, whither I went to examine your land, and to see how it was situated in connexion with mine. . . . When you proposed to reserve all that part of lot No. 10 which lyes on the East side of Difficult run, I presume you were unacquainted with three circumstances attending it—1st, that you would leave only 85 acres on the West side of the said run; 2d, that you would take all the woodland (except a very narrow slipe or two);—and 3dly, all the land of any value. . . . This account you may rely on as fact; for I not only examined the premises with attention, but measured with accuracy (carrying a surveyor with me) the part of lot No 10 which lyes on the upper, or West side of the run,—In doing which I was accompanied by Mr. Wherry (your Tenant) Mr. Thomas Gussel, and Capt. Wilcy; who were with me the whole time, and showed the lines & corners, which were to be found. . . . From this relation, which upon inquiry you will find literally correct, you must perceive, that that part of lot No 10 alone, which lyes on the upper, or West side of Difficult can not answer my purpose, nor would be an equivalent,—and you must be further convinced, that from the scarcity of money, & fall in the price of land—indeed property of all kinds,—it is not for my interest to cancel the bargain which is in existence. . . ."

905. WATERHOUSE (BENJAMIN—American physician). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Boston, October 21, 1783." To "Christopher Champlin." With transcript, biographical account, and stipple portrait, engraved by S. Harris.

"As I have frequently thought of what you said to me concerning a certain great man, I thought I would acquaint you with the result of the Installation. I took your advice. I said as much to him as decency & my conscience would admit, something which obtained the commendation of the hearers in general. . . ."

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906. WATSON (JOHN—Ian Maclaren, pseudonym, British author). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Sefton Park Church, Liverpool. Rev. John Watson, 18, Sefton Drive (embossed on letter head) July 27 1895." To "Dr. Abbott." With transcript, and portrait. Lengthy letter on literary matters. Makes mention of coming to America ". . . *If I come to America in Spring and am fit for it, I should count it a great honor to preach in your church. . . .*"

907. WAYNE (JAMES M.—Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Sunday Morning." To "Count De Merow." With transcript, and portrait.

"Mrs. Wayne and myself know not how to thank you enough for the kind solicitude you have shown for the accommodation of our son on his return to Baltimore and cannot wish him better fortune in his progress to manhood than that he may always meet with friends so capable of directing and guarding him from the corrupting influence of evil examples, as you are. . . ."

908. WEBSTER (DANIEL—eminent American statesman and lawyer). A.L.S., 4pp. 4to, "Washington, Feb. 24, 1819." With transcript, and portrait.

AN IMPORTANT POLITICAL LETTER, relating to the Spanish Treaty, and the Western Boundary.

"The Spanish Treaty will be ratified, by the Senate either today or tomorrow. I understand it provides for the creation of a board of Commissioners with power to make compensation for Captures &c, not exceeding, in the whole five millions of Dlls. The Insurance Office of Boston must, of course, have heavy claims of this character. . . . A general agency, for all or most of the Offices, would make it worth my attention, & justify me in appropriating as much time to the subjects as the nature of it required. . . . I suppose our Western boundary is fixed as follows—Beginning at the mouth of the Sabine River, following the Western boundary of Louisiana to the Red River; up the Red River to the 100th deg. of W. Longitude:—thence due North to the Arkansas; up the Arkansas to the 42nd deg. of N. Latitude, & thence West to the Pacific—giving us about 7 Degr. of Latitude on the Pacific—and the mouth of Columbia River— We also get the Floridas, in cons. of the 5 millions paid to our own citizens."

909. WEBSTER (DANIEL—eminent American statesman and lawyer). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "Washington, Jan. 2, 1833." With transcript, and portrait.

" . . . Mr. Calhoun & his friends will make an appeal, but it will not succeed, in either House. Indeed, the preservation of the bill I deem indispensable; because as soon as some temporary topics are over, Nullification will re-appear.— It astonishes me, My Dear Sir, to find so many of our friends getting into such a friendly glow, with the Southern Nullifiers, . . ."

910. WEBSTER (DANIEL—eminent American statesman and lawyer). A.L.S., 4pp. 4to, "Washington, Jan. 5, 1831." With transcript, portrait, and additional signature. A detailed account of monies paid and to be paid.

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911. WEBSTER (DANIEL—eminent American statesman and lawyer). Stock Certificate, March 29, 1837. Signed, by Daniel Webster and Thomas Fessenden. With portrait of Webster.

912. WEBSTER (DANIEL—eminent American statesman and lawyer). A.L.S., 3pp. 4to, "Washington, Feb. 4. 1845." To "Mr. Thayer." With transcript, portrait, and view.

AN IMPORTANT POLITICAL LETTER.

"You will perceive that the Oregon Bill has passed the H. of R. I hope the Senate will amend it, by tearing out the provision for giving notice of the termination of the joint occupancy. . . . The hope of office has had much to do, in carrying this measure, & much, too, in the Texas business. A great many members, who have not been reelected, are founding voting for Texas, Oregon, & every thing else. . . . A report will finally be made today on the Texas Resolutions, from the Comtee. of the Senate. . . ."

913. WEBSTER (DANIEL—eminent American statesman and lawyer). A.L., 3pp. 4to, "Boston, Sept. 29, 1848." *Private & Confidential*. To "Hon. William Baylies, West Bridgewater." With transcript, and portrait. With addressed envelope, franked with Webster's signature.

"Understanding that Mr. Hale, our present worthy Representative from Plymouth District, declines a reelection to Congress, some persons, in our part of the County, have started the idea of bringing forth Mr. Fletcher Webster as a Candidate. He would not consent to this, of course, without the concurrence of the leading Whigs of the District. . . .

"You & I My Dear Sir, whether as men or as politicians, are rather too old to attend Caucuses & conventions; but I am invited to attend a County Meeting, at Abington, on Tuesday, & am half inclined to go. If you would agree to meet me there, it will determine me. We might hear each others' voices, once more, on public subjects. . . ."

914. WEBSTER (DANIEL—eminent American statesman and lawyer). A.L.S., 3pp. 4to, "Boston, Aug. 15. 1849." With transcript, and portrait.

". . . Mr. Deblois was in company with some half dozen gentlemen, in this City, about the time the President was selecting the members of his Cabinet, & making other appointments to high office. The conversation turned, among other things, upon the probability of Mr. Evans receiving some high mark of regard, from the new administration. One of the gentlemen remarked, that, of course, Mr. Evans might rely on all the aid, which Mr. Webster could give him. And thereupon Mr. Deblois observed that if Mr. Evans had no better reliance, than on Mr. Webster, he pitied him; for that Mr. Webster had never had a political friend, whom he did not betray. . . ."

915. WEBSTER (DANIEL—eminent American statesman and lawyer). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Washington, March 17, 1851." To "L. R. Marsh." With transcript, and portrait.

" . . . Mr. Hall was of opinion, when I last spoke to him on the subject, that the whole suit could be defeated without going to the question of damages. . . . It is quite proper that Bro: Niles should go into the public service at Sing Sing."

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916. WEBSTER (DANIEL—eminent American statesman and lawyer). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, no place or date. To "Fletcher Webster." With transcript, and 3 portraits.

IMPORTANT POLITICAL LETTER written to his son.

"The pendency of the question of the Admission of Texas will keep me here till Tuesday or Wednesday. I shall then go to N. Y. & to Boston. . . . I have taken a little small house, next to the Unitarian Church, for 3 months, at 50 dollars a month, ready furnished. It will do very well for your mother & me. . . . The Texas resolution will not be delayed in the Senate. The majority is decided, and large; & the discussion has been exhausted.

"We have done what we could to keep down the war feeling, but there is much of it, & it will do much mischief, & cause us to run into great danger. But I do not yet believe there will be war. Mr. Calhoun is hourly expected. His influence will be pacific. . . ."

917. WEBSTER (JOHN W.—American chemist). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Cambridge, Jany. 21st, 1839." To "Prof. Torrey." With transcript.

Relative to chemical supplies for Harvard College.

"May I trouble you to inform me who is the best maker of chemical apparatus in New York? & to request him to send me a catalogue of his articles with the prices. I have obtained an appropriation of several hundred dollars to supply deficiencies in the College appts— which has never been sufficient, so that I have been compelled to remove much of my own from Boston. . . ."

918. WEBSTER (NOAH—American lexicographer). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "New Haven, Sept. 7, 1807." To "Messrs. Webster, Albany," his publishers. With transcript, and portrait.

"Please to make the following corrections in the Spelling Books— . . . Wolga is German Spelling, & in German W is pronounced V & Voiga is the true name of the river. . . ."

919. WEBSTER (NOAH—American lexicographer). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Amherst, Mass'tts. Jany. 2, 1822." To "Honble Stephen Van Rensselaer." With transcript, and portraits of both.

" . . . I thank you, Sir, for the interest you take in my designs, & for your offer to attempt to aid me. I had written to Col Varick, on the subject, before your letter reached me . . . The loss of a few thousand dollars would impoverish me & render the evening of my life uncomfortable. . . . I want only the means of doing what I believe will be beneficial to learning & to my country . . ."

920. WEBSTER (THOMAS—grandfather of Daniel Webster; one of the original Proprietors of Gilmantown, New Hampshire). Manuscript Document, signed, 1p. folio, "July 16, 1720." With transcript.

FINE EARLY NEW HAMPSHIRE DEED, signed and sealed by Thomas Webster, witnessed by Joseph Brown and Benjamin Choat. Sworn to before Justice Samuel Easman. Reads in part,—

" . . . I Thomas Webster of Kingstown in ye province of Newchampsheir in New England yeoman Know ye that I ye said Thomas Webster for and in consideration of ye sum of twelve pounds to me in hand Received before ye Encaling here of by Joseph Kimball of Almsbury in ye County of Essex within his Majesties province of ye Massachusetts Bay in New-

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england wheelwright which considration me there to moving; have Given Granted bargained Sould allined Conveyed and Confirmed . . . unto him ye said Joseph Kimball his heirs and assigns forever ye one and fortieth part of all ye Alotted Ground on both sides of ye powous River that lyeth betwixt ye trickling falls Dam So Called; and ye pond Called ye Countrey pond (alis powous River pond) and also ye one and fortyeth part of all ye land and Swamp that lyeth betwixt ye said Aloted Ground and ye line betwixt Kingstown and Almsbury; . . ."

921. WEBSTER (THOMAS—grandfather of Daniel Webster, one of the original Proprietors of Gilmantown, New Hampshire). Manuscript Document, signed, 1p. folio, "May 7, 1744." Inlaid. With transcript.

AN EARLY NEW HAMPSHIRE DEED, signed and sealed. Witnessed by A. Clough and Zebulen Giddinge. Sworn to before T. Smith, Justice of the Peace. Reads in part as follows,—

" . . . I Thomas Webster of Exeter in ye province of Newhampshcyr in new-engtland inholder for and in Consideration of ye sum of five pounds in bills of credit . . . to me in hand ut and before te Enscauling and Delivery of these presents well and truly paid by Moses Connor of Exeter in ye province of newhampshcyr aforesd ycoman have Remised Released and for Exer quit Claimed . . . all thet Right title Interest Challenge and Demand which I ye said Thomas Webster now hath or ought to have in or to any part of ye townships of Gilmantown Lying and being within ye province of Newhampshcyr aforesaid as I was one of ye originall proprietors . . ."

922. WEED (THURLOW—American politician). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Albany, Oct. 4, 1852." With transcript, and portrait. Informs "Dear Alden" that he expects to be in Rochester.

923. WEISS (J.—American Unitarian minister). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "32. E. Brookline St. Feb. 23. 1876." To "Mr. Underwood" With transcript, and photograph. Regarding the "Orpheus" dinner, ending with "The Drinks was all good."

924. WELLINGTON (DUKE OF—great English soldier). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "London, April 18, 1830." To "Arbuthnot." With transcript, and portrait. Personal letter with mention of the wife of the recipient.

925. WELLINGTON (DUKE OF—eminent English soldier). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "London, July 15, 1831." To "Mr. Hill." With transcript, and portrait.

" . . . I have considered of an arrangement since I saw you on the Subject on which you spoke to me which I think might be perfectly satisfactory. . . ."

926. WENTWORTH (JOHN—American journalist). A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo, "Chicago, April 15/84." With transcript, and portrait.

RELATING IN PART TO ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

" . . . As to Lincoln, I could have sent you any quantity of letters from 'old Abe' & from his wife after his death. She had great confidence in me as a financier & she wrote me often. The Chicago fire wiped out

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everything I had except a few things that have been begged from me for charitable purposes. . . . If you want Lincoln's autograph, it can be got at any time. I have seen any quantity of Lincoln's letters since I saw you. But they only contain his autograph. I had hopes of obtaining a letter through Mrs. Lincoln, whose Summer Head Quarters were near mine at Portsmouth. He often wrote letters to his children. But his house at Rye Beach (where I used to meet his family) has been burnt down . . ."

927. WHEELER (WILLIAM A.—Vice-President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Malone August 16, 1848." With transcript, and portrait.

". . . You will receive herewith my account of expenses in getting the Specie from Ogdensburgh, to pay the St. Regis Indians, I have charged nothing for time or services, only the sums actually paid out."

928. WHELOCK (JOHN—educator; Lieutenant-Colonel in the Continental Army. He was the son of Eleazar Wheelock, the founder of Moor's Indian charity school which was the germ of Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire). A.L.S., 2pp. folio, "Dartmouth College, July 24th, 1798." With transcript. To a member of the Board of Trustees of Dartmouth College.

". . . The public have lost, by the death of Mr. Belknap, a pious, learned, & useful man. . . . What could we have to support us through the drama of life, and give us fortitude and comfort in meeting the catastrophes, were it not for the treasures of consolation in the gospel? . . . I rejoice to hear, that my worthy aunt Pomeroy still lives, & is able to be in action. . . . We have nothing new among us. The College is in peace, & the members busy.—I am sorry, that we shall, likely, be deprived of your company, at the meeting of the Board. . . . Should we be involved in war, the interest of literature must feel the shock: but, better to defend its enlarged walks, than confine it to regulate in the dungeon of slavery. . . ."

929. WHIPPLE (EDWIN PERCY—American critic and essayist). A.L.S., 2pp. 12mo, "Boston, Oct 28 1819." To "John B. O'Reilly." With transcript, and portrait.

"I find that I shall not be able to be present at the meeting of the Press Club, on Nov 4th. I regret it, as I know that the meetings of that Club are always delightful.

"I have not seen your narch, though I have been glad to notice that the 'press' praise it warmly and heartily."

930. WHITE (WILLIAM—distinguished American bishop). A.L.S., 4pp. 4to, "April 16, 1814." To "Mr. Turner," and 6 others. With transcript, and portrait. Letter has been repaired.

A VERY LENGTHY AND EXPLICIT ANSWER to certain questions of a religious nature that apparently had been asked.

"I do not hesitate to answer your Questions which you have proposed to me without Delay: because my Answers must be founded on Principles, which ought to be familiar to my Mind. But let it be remembered, that in what is to be said, I must not be considered as contemplating any existing circumstances; especially as I am not informed of Incidents, which have given Occasion to your Inquiries.

"1st. A Membership of ye Church of England is constituted by ye Party's being baptized therein . . ."

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931. WHITMAN (WALT—American poet). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "London Ontario Canada August 21 '80." With transcript, and portrait. Letter inlaid.

"Some six months ago, you wrote me (I was then laid up ill in St. Louis) that you had purchased the electrotype plates of the 1861 Boston ed'n of my Leaves of Grass—& making me some proposals about them—To which I made answer at the time, as you probably bear in mind.

"Are you still the owner of those plates? Do you still hold to the offer then made by you? Please write me here."

932. WHITTIER (JOHN GREENLEAF—American poet and author). A.L.S., 1p. 8vo, "Amesbury, 27th 9th Mo. 1860." To "———." With portrait.

"It would give me no ordinary pleasure to meet thy honored guest & the other gentlemen thee name in thy kind note, but I fear it is out of my power to do so.

"Be pleased to remember me kindly to thy friend W. C. Bryant, and to Mr. W. & be assured of the love & esteem of thy f'd."

933. WHITTIER (JOHN GREENLEAF—American poet and author). A.L.S., 1p. 12mo, "Amesbury 1st 7th Mo 1882." To "Mr. Horace Kennedy." With transcript, portrait, engraved invitation to exercises to commemorate the poet's centennial anniversary, and printed notice.

"It is a little uncertain about my being in Danvers at the time mentioned in thy note, but if I am I shall be happy to see thee.

"We have one subject at least of common interest in the beloved poet of Cambridge. I have read thy book with hearty sympathy."

934. WILBERFORCE (WILLIAM—British Member of Parliament, introduced bills for abolition of slavery in Great Britain). A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo, "No. 1 Poets Corner Westminster Wedy 15th 1815." To "W. H. G. Pageley." With transcript, and portrait. Asking the recipient to meet him in the Old Palace Yard, Westminster.

935. WILLIAM IV. OF ENGLAND. A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Busby House, Febry. 4th, 1800." With transcript, and portrait.

"Madame,

"... I lament your unfortunate situation the more as it is utterly out of my power to be of any use to your husband having no kind of interest in the Naval Line. I hope the time may come shortly when I shall be able to assist your husband and as your children grow up the same difficulty will not impede my serving them. . . ."

936. WILLIS (NATHANIEL P.—American author and novelist). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Idlewild, March 22/57." To "Morris." With portrait.

"... With the intention of going down this week to see you, I was trying to gain time, when, (on Saturday night) I had one of my prostrating illnesses. You know what they are. It has kept me abed for two days, & I can scarce hold up my head to write this. But, if I quite recover, the last of the week, I will look in upon you & Mary. . . ."

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937. WILSON (FRANCIS—American actor). A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo, "Friday, The Players Sixteen Gramercy Park." To "Mr. Fleischner." With transcript, and autographed portrait.

"Thanks for the Child Laws from England. It was most thoughtful of you!"

"I am having a hard row to hoe. But I believe my contention in the stage child matter and shall go down—if I must—fighting. I am for protecting the factory & mill child—but also for protecting the child genius of the stage. . . ."

938. WILSON (HENRY—Vice-President of the United States). A.L.S., 4pp. 4to, "Washington, March 14, 1857." To "Rev. Theo. Parker." With transcript, and portrait.

AN EXCEPTIONALLY FINE LETTER giving his views on the slavery question.

" . . . As to the declaration to which you refer in your letter I have to say that I did not intend to say that we believe in the right to hold Men in Slavery. I do not believe that any man has a right to hold property in man. This I have said here over and over again. I did not intend to say that the thing could be right, but to say that we had no right to prevent their doing it—that it was a matter for them to settle and that we would maintain their right to settle it for themselves. I deny the right of any state or nation to hold men in slavery, but I maintain the right of any state or nation to settle that question. . . . If I had the power to overthrow slavery in the states I would do it, but I have not that power. We may be driven to do it to defend the country just as we might blow up your house or peril your life to save the country. So we might overthrow slavery in Cuba as a matter of self preservation, but I see just as much power in our Constitution to overthrow slavery in Cuba as I do to abolish slavery in South Carolina. If there is one doctrine dearer to man than another it is the doctrine of local self-government. This doctrine of states rights must be maintained if we would be a free people. . . ."

939. WILSON (HENRY—Vice-President of the United States). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Natick, Sept, 13th, 1863." To "Mr C. H. Gordon." With transcript, and portrait. Stating that he has just returned from Maine.

940. WILSON (JAMES—Signer of the Declaration of Independence; appointed Justice of the United States Supreme Court in 1789). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Philadelphia, 16th March, 1787." To "Mr. John Little, Delaware Works." With transcript, biographical note, and portrait.

Relative to the "Delaware Works," a company in which he was interested.

" . . . It was unfortunate that you and I did not see one another, as a principal Reason that led me to the Works was to adjust Matters with you on the very Subject you mention; . . . As the Supreme Court and the Court of Common Pleas will sit for the next four or five Weeks, it will be very inconvenient for me to go to the Works during that Time. . . ."

941. WILSON (JAMES—Signer of the Declaration of Independence; appointed Justice of the United States Supreme Court, in 1789). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "14th. Augt. 1795." To "John Barclay, Esquire, Presidnt of the Bank of Penna." With transcript, and portrait.

"I just now called at the Bank. The Money is not yet at Command; but I have good Reason to expect that, before the Rising of the Supreme Court of U. S. it will be ready for me. . . ."

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942. WILSON (JOHN, "Christopher North"—celebrated Scottish writer and critic). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "112 Regent Street, March 6. 1824." To "Mr. Hill." With transcript, and portrait.

On the reverse of the letter are 26 lines of poetry in the autograph of Wilson, commencing,—

*"Day presses on the heels of day
And moons increase to their decay;"*

" . . . I shall certainly endeavour, as far as my frail nature will let me, to follow your bright example, . . . And, I assure you dear Hill, that my determination has not been a little strengthened, by the Lines you sent me the other day.

"Though without a signature, I was at no loss to discover to whom I was indebted for the friendly hint. The passage which struck me the most forcibly was the following. The moral is certainly excellent. I think you must have had Horace, and our own countryman, Dr. Johnson, in your mind's eye, when you penned them. I shall preserve them amongst my poetical gems. . . ."

943. WILSON (WOODROW—28th President of the United States). A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo, "Princeton, New Jersey, 12 January, 1898." To "Mr. Charles Dudley Warren." With portrait of President Wilson. A transcript of the letter accompanies the same.

VERY FINE. The entire letter as well as the full address is in the President's hand, the letter also has his autograph signature.

"You have offered me an extremely attractive piece of work in asking me to write a life of Parkman for the American Men of Letters Series, and you have in the mere offer paid me a compliment which I deeply appreciate. I think as you do of Parkman's work and rank among historians, and it would be a veritable privilege to speak at length of so beautiful and devoted a life. It has been very hard for me to make up my mind that I could not do it.

"But a very little reflection has shown me that I must decline. . . . Practically all of my work so far,—with the exception of the little volume I published first of all,—has been in the nature of by-products. I believe I have something better in me, and that it is high time I got it out."

[See Illustration]

944. WINDOM (WILLIAM—United States Senator from Minnesota). A.L.S., 1p. 12mo, "United States Senate Chamber Washington, May 31, 1873." To "The President." With transcript, and portrait.

"Permit me to introduce Mrs. McQuestin of Iowa, whom I know to be a most worthy and estimable lady. Her faithful and patriotic service in behalf of the sick and wounded Soldiers during the war, and of their orphan children since its close, is my only apology for soliciting for her a personal interview."

945. WIRT (WILLIAM—celebrated American lawyer). A.L.S., 4pp. 4to, "Washington, November 28. 1823." With transcript, and portrait.

A very lengthy and important letter relative to matters of law and the Bank of the U. S.

" . . . My remark had allusion to the law of Maryland, in force in this part of the District, which authorizes a plaintiff after judgment to proceed either by execution, or by attachment against the debtors of the defendant, at pleasure. The law is found very useful in practice. . . . I have much

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Princeton, New Jersey,
12 January, 1898

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Autograph Letter, Signed. 1898

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personal respect for some of the directors and stockholders in the Bank of Columbia and shall be glad to do anything which may save the honor of the institution and save it from ruin, while it will ensure justice to the Bank of the U. S. and on the other hand I shd. be very glad to save the Bank of the U. S. from the ill will towards it, which, unjust as it would be, must certainly follow from its destroying this long-established Bank. . . ."

946. WOLCOTT (OLIVER—signer of the Declaration of Independence; Governor of Connecticut). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Washington, Oct. 3, 1800." To "Mrs. Wolcott." With transcript, and portrait.

"The best news I have to tell you is that Mr. Steele has returned & that I am preparing my affairs for a journey—I cannot exactly say when I can set out but I hope in one Week from this time. . . ."

947. WOODBURY (LEVI—Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States; Governor of New Hampshire). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "Washington City, 13th, Jany. 1830." To "Gen. Timy. Upham, Portsmouth, New. Ha." Address franked with Woodbury's signatures. Relates to the Naval establishment at Portsmouth,—*"I cannot believe that Congress will ever attempt to abolish the naval establishment at Portsmouth. . . ."* Also,—L.S. 1p. 4to, "Navy Department, June 21, 1834." To "Hon. Isaac McKim, Ho. of Representatives." Relative to the appointment of midshipmen,—*"the same rule prevails as to the residence of officers & their sons, as prevails in respect to other persons applying. . . ."* With transcripts, and portraits.

948. WOODBURY (LEVI—Governor of New Hampshire; appointed Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States in 1845). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Washington, 19th. Ap. 1850." To "Joseph B. Boyd, Esqr, Mayesville, Kentucky," relative to the descendants of Hon. Wm. Plumer, of New Hampshire; Also,—A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Washington, 3d May, 1837," to "George H. Moore," enclosing President's autograph. With transcripts, and 2 portraits. Together, 2 folders.

949. WORCESTER (JOSEPH EMERSON—American lexicographer). A.L.S., 1p. 12mo, "Cambridge, Sept. 28, 1855." To "Prof. Benj. Pierce, LL. D. Quincy Street." With transcript.

"I do myself the pleasure to ask you to accept a copy of a small Dictionary. . . ."

950. WORDSWORTH (WILLIAM—illustrious English poet). A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, "June 17th, 1827." To "Rydal Mount." With transcript, and portrait.

"On returning home yesterday after an absence in which I was moving about so that my letters could not well be sent after me, I had the pleasure of receiving your elegant Volume with the obliging letter accompanying it. I have not yet had time to do more than cast my eyes over it, but as I notice several compositions with which I had been not a little gratified when I read them before in periodical publications, I have no doubt that much pleasure is in store for me when I can give the rest a perusal at leisure. . . ."

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951. YOUNG (E.—English actor). A.L.S., 1p. 4to, "Wellwyn, July the 5th 1749." To "Sr William Bunbury." With transcript, and portrait.

WITH MENTION OF DAVID GARRICK.

"In answer to ye Favour of your Letter about yr Play, I wrote you word that if you would do me ye Honour of a Visit for a Day or two woth Mr. Garrick, would read yr Play together etc. I continue to wish the same Favour, being but four hours from Town. But as I fear you have now left Town, & as I am uncertain where this may find you, I only desire to know if ye Letter I mention came to your Hand, & if you have any Commands."

952. YOUNG (JOHN RUSSELL—American journalist connected with the New York Tribune, and Herald). A.L.S., 1p. 12mo, "Astor House, Dec. 2, 1886." To "Geo Alfred Townsend." With transcript, and portrait.

"I bought your 'Katy,' this afternoon, and anticipate reading it, with much pleasure— In scanning over the leaves, as one does, before reading, I noted on page 488, in the note,—the statement that Lincoln was at the Capitol on the night of July 3, 'signing bills.' Did you not intend to say March 3? That would be the night of the closing session."

953. ZERRAHN (CARL—Conductor Handel and Haydn Society, and of Harvard Symphony Concerts). A.N.S., 1p. 8vo, "Boston." To "Miss Alger."

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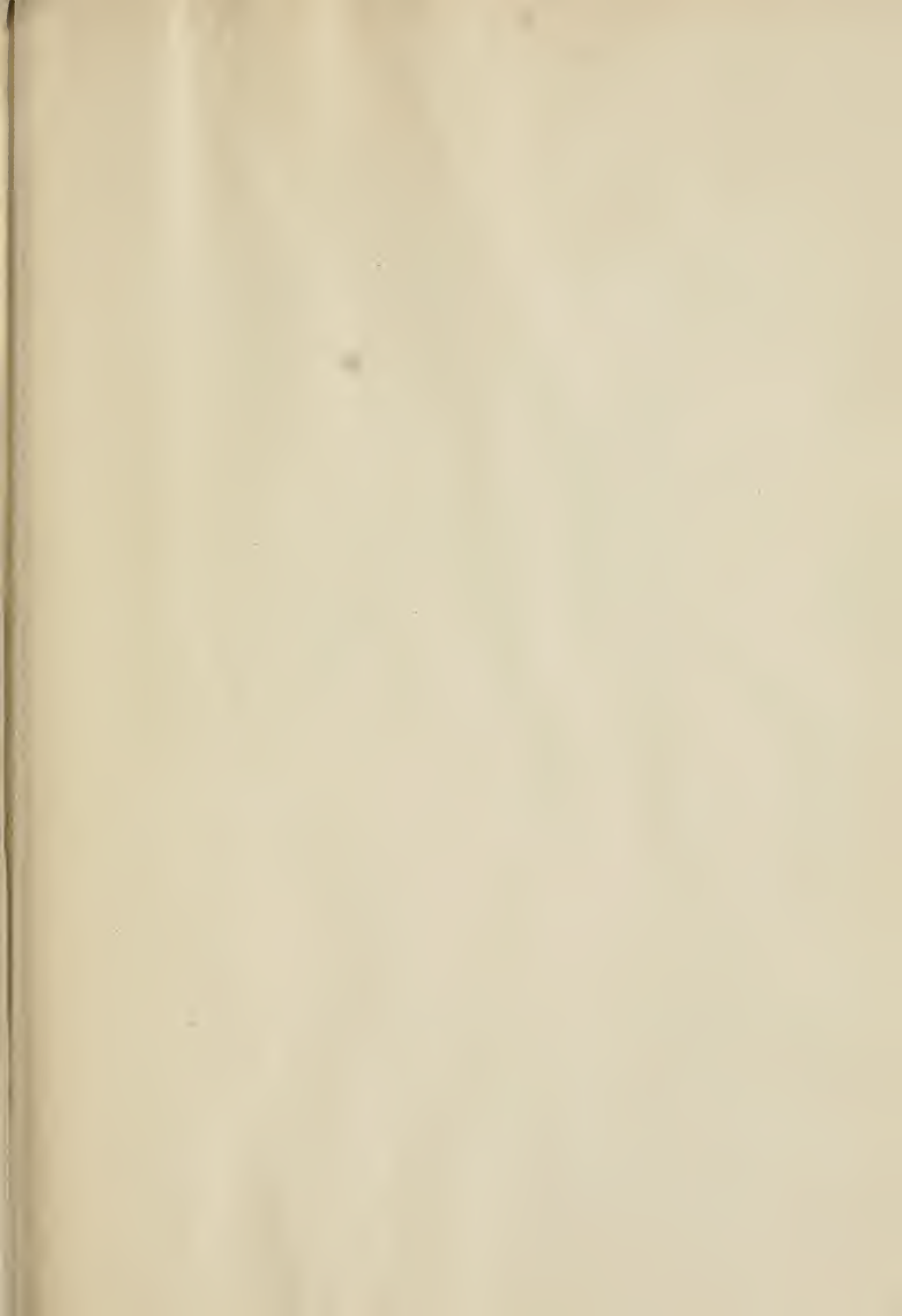
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